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### ***"AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM AS AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 10-95 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

5 (a) The State Board of Education may establish and maintain a state-  
6 wide system of technical [high] education and career schools to be  
7 known as the [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
8 Career System. The [technical high school] system shall be [governed]  
9 advised by a board that shall consist of eleven members as follows: (1)  
10 Four executives of Connecticut-based employers who shall be  
11 nominated by the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission

12 established pursuant to section 31-3h, and appointed by the Governor,  
13 (2) five members appointed by the State Board of Education, (3) the  
14 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, and (4) the  
15 Labor Commissioner. The Governor shall appoint the chairperson. The  
16 chairperson of the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
17 and Career System board shall serve as a nonvoting ex-officio member  
18 of the State Board of Education.

19 (b) The [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
20 Career System board shall offer full-time, and may offer part-time and  
21 evening, programs in vocational, technical, [and] technological and  
22 postsecondary education and training. The board may [make  
23 regulations controlling] recommend to the superintendent of the  
24 Technical Education and Career System policies governing the  
25 admission of students to any such school in compliance with state and  
26 federal law. The Commissioner of Education, in accordance with  
27 policies established by the board, may appoint and remove members  
28 of the staffs of such schools and make rules for the management of and  
29 expend the funds provided for the support of such schools. [The board  
30 may enter into cooperative arrangements with local and regional  
31 boards of education, private occupational schools, institutions of  
32 higher education, job training agencies and employers in order to  
33 provide general education, vocational, technical or technological  
34 education or work experience.]

35 (c) The board and the Commissioner of Education shall jointly  
36 recommend a candidate for superintendent of the technical high school  
37 system who shall be appointed as superintendent by the State Board of  
38 Education. Such superintendent shall be responsible for the operation  
39 and administration of the technical high school system. The board may  
40 enter into cooperative arrangements with local and regional boards of  
41 education, private occupational schools, institutions of higher  
42 education, job training agencies and employers in order to provide  
43 general education, vocational, technical, technological or  
44 postsecondary education or work experience. The superintendent, in  
45 conjunction with the commissioner, may arrange for training to be

46 provided to the board at such times, and on such matters, as are  
47 deemed appropriate to assist the board in the conduct of its business.

48 [(d) If the New England Association of Schools and Colleges places  
49 a technical high school on probation or otherwise notifies the  
50 superintendent of the technical high school system that a technical  
51 high school is at risk of losing its accreditation, the Commissioner of  
52 Education, on behalf of the technical high school system board, shall  
53 notify the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
54 cognizance of matters relating to education of such placement or  
55 problems relating to accreditation.]

56 [(e)] (d) The [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
57 Career System board shall establish specific achievement goals for  
58 students at the technical [high] education and career schools at each  
59 grade level. The board shall measure the performance of each technical  
60 [high] education and career school and shall identify a set of  
61 quantifiable measures to be used. The measures shall include factors  
62 such as the performance of students in grade ten or eleven on the  
63 mastery examination, under section 10-14n, trade-related assessment  
64 tests, dropout rates and graduation rates.

65 (e) The Technical Education and Career System board may accept  
66 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not  
67 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of  
68 equipment or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education  
69 and career school or the acquisition of real property and the  
70 construction of facilities.

71 Sec. 2. Section 10-95 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1  
72 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
73 (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

74 [(a) The State Board of Education may establish and maintain] There  
75 is established a state-wide system of technical education and career  
76 schools to be known as the Technical Education and Career System.  
77 [The system shall be advised by a board that shall consist of eleven

78 members as follows: (1) Four executives of Connecticut-based  
79 employers who shall be nominated by the Connecticut Employment  
80 and Training Commission established pursuant to section 31-3h, and  
81 appointed by the Governor, (2) five members appointed by the State  
82 Board of Education, (3) the Commissioner of Economic and  
83 Community Development, and (4) the Labor Commissioner. The  
84 Governor shall appoint the chairperson. The chairperson of the  
85 Technical Education and Career System board shall serve as a  
86 nonvoting ex-officio member of the State Board of Education.]

87 [(b)] The Technical Education and Career System [board] shall offer  
88 full-time, and may offer part-time and evening, programs in  
89 vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education and  
90 training. [The board may adopt policies controlling the admission of  
91 students to any such school. The Commissioner of Education, in  
92 accordance with policies established by the board, may appoint and  
93 remove members of the staffs of such schools and make rules for the  
94 management of and expend the funds provided for the support of such  
95 schools.

96 (c) The board and the Commissioner of Education shall jointly  
97 recommend a candidate for superintendent of the technical high school  
98 system who shall be appointed as superintendent by the State Board of  
99 Education. Such superintendent shall be responsible for the operation  
100 and administration of the technical high school system. The board may  
101 enter into cooperative arrangements with local and regional boards of  
102 education, private occupational schools, institutions of higher  
103 education, job training agencies and employers in order to provide  
104 general education, vocational, technical, technological or  
105 postsecondary education or work experience.

106 (d) The Technical Education and Career System board shall  
107 establish specific achievement goals for students at the technical  
108 education and career schools at each grade level. The board shall  
109 measure the performance of each technical education and career school  
110 and shall identify a set of quantifiable measures to be used. The

111 measures shall include factors such as the performance of students in  
112 grade ten or eleven on the mastery examination, under section 10-14n,  
113 trade-related assessment tests, dropout rates and graduation rates.

114 (e) The Technical Education and Career System board may accept  
115 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not  
116 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of  
117 equipment or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education  
118 and career school or the acquisition of real property and the  
119 construction of facilities.]

120 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) (a) (1) On or after July 1, 2017,  
121 until June 30, 2020, the Technical Education and Career System board  
122 may recommend a candidate for superintendent of the Technical  
123 Education and Career System to the Commissioner of Education. The  
124 commissioner may hire or reject any candidate for superintendent  
125 recommended by the board. If the commissioner rejects a candidate for  
126 superintendent, the board shall recommend another candidate for  
127 superintendent to the commissioner. The term of office of the  
128 superintendent hired under this subdivision shall expire on June 30,  
129 2020.

130 (2) On and after July 1, 2020, the Technical Education and Career  
131 System board shall recommend a candidate for superintendent of the  
132 Technical Education and Career System to the Executive Director of  
133 the Technical Education and Career System. The executive director  
134 may hire or reject any candidate for superintendent recommended by  
135 the board. If the executive director rejects a candidate for  
136 superintendent, the board shall recommend another candidate for  
137 superintendent to the executive director. The term of office of the  
138 superintendent hired under this subdivision shall be three years and  
139 may be extended for no more than three years at any one time.

140 (b) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career  
141 System shall be responsible for the operation and administration of the  
142 technical education and career schools and all other matters relating to

143 vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education in the  
144 system.

145       Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Technical Education and  
146 Career System shall be under the direction of the Executive Director of  
147 the Technical Education and Career System, whose appointment shall  
148 be made by the Governor. Such appointment shall be in accordance  
149 with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, of the general  
150 statutes. The Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career  
151 System shall be responsible for the operation and administration and  
152 the financial accountability and oversight of the Technical Education  
153 and Career System in matters relating to the central office, system-  
154 wide management and other noneducational matters. The executive  
155 director shall organize the Technical Education and Career System into  
156 such bureaus, divisions and other units as may be necessary for the  
157 efficient conduct of the business of the system, and may, from time to  
158 time, create, abolish, transfer or consolidate within the system any  
159 bureau, division or other unit as may be necessary for the efficient  
160 conduct of the business of the system. The executive director may  
161 appoint, and may prescribe the duties of any subordinates, agents and  
162 employees as he or she finds necessary in the conduct of the system.

163       (b) The executive director shall review and approve all contracts for  
164 the Technical Education and Career System.

165       (c) The executive director may enter into cooperative arrangements  
166 with local and regional boards of education, private occupational  
167 schools, institutions of higher education, job training agencies and  
168 employers in order to provide (1) general education, (2) vocational,  
169 technical, technological or postsecondary education, and (3) work  
170 experience.

171       (d) The executive director may, upon approval of the board, accept  
172 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not  
173 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of  
174 equipment or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education

175 and career school or the acquisition of real property and the  
176 construction of facilities.

177 (e) The executive director shall establish a master schedule for the  
178 Technical Education and Career System and may amend such master  
179 schedule from time to time.

180 (f) The executive director shall communicate directly with the  
181 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management when requesting the  
182 creation or filling of staff positions included in the operating budget  
183 for the Technical Education and Career System. When reviewing such  
184 requests, priority shall be given to any request for instructional staff, as  
185 identified in the statement of staffing needs submitted by the  
186 superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System  
187 pursuant to section 10-99g of the general statutes, as amended by this  
188 act, and every effort shall be made to avoid interruption to  
189 instructional time during such review.

190 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Technical Education and  
191 Career System shall be advised by a Technical Education and Career  
192 System board. The board shall consist of eleven members and shall  
193 include at least the following, (1) two members with experience in  
194 manufacturing or a trade offered by the Technical Education and  
195 Career System, or who are alumni of the system, (2) two members who  
196 are executives of Connecticut-based employers and who shall be  
197 nominated by the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission,  
198 established pursuant to section 31-3h of the general statutes. The  
199 Commissioners of Education and Economic and Community  
200 Development and the Labor Commissioner, or their respective  
201 designees, shall serve as ex-officio members of the board. Members of  
202 the board shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and  
203 consent of the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of  
204 section 4-7 of the general statutes. Any vacancy shall be filled in the  
205 manner provided in section 4-19 of the general statutes. The Governor  
206 shall appoint the chairperson.

207 (b) The board shall advise the superintendent of the Technical  
208 Education and Career System and the Executive Director of the  
209 Technical Education and Career System on matters relating to  
210 vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education and  
211 training. The board may create any advisory boards or appoint any  
212 committees as it deems necessary for the efficient conduct of its  
213 business. The executive director, in conjunction with the  
214 superintendent, may arrange for training to be provided to the board  
215 at such times, and on such matters, as are deemed appropriate to assist  
216 the board in the conduct of its business.

217 (c) The board may recommend to the executive director and  
218 superintendent policies to attract and retain students who will pursue  
219 careers that meet workforce needs and govern the admission of  
220 students to any technical education and career school in compliance  
221 with state and federal law.

222 (d) The board shall establish specific achievement goals for students  
223 at the technical education and career schools at each grade level. The  
224 board shall measure the performance of each technical education and  
225 career school and shall identify a set of quantifiable measures to be  
226 used. The measures shall include factors such as the performance of  
227 students in grade ten or eleven on the mastery examination, under  
228 section 10-14n of the general statutes, trade-related assessment tests,  
229 dropout rates and graduation rates.

230 Sec. 6. Section 4-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
231 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

232 As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head"  
233 means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,  
234 Commissioner of Administrative Services, Commissioner on Aging,  
235 Commissioner of Revenue Services, Banking Commissioner,  
236 Commissioner of Children and Families, Commissioner of Consumer  
237 Protection, Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Economic  
238 and Community Development, State Board of Education,



239 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection,  
240 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection,  
241 Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health,  
242 Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of  
243 Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social  
244 Services, Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of  
245 Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of  
246 Veterans Affairs, Commissioner of Housing, Commissioner of  
247 Rehabilitation Services, the Commissioner of Early Childhood, [and]  
248 the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs and the  
249 Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career System. As  
250 used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the  
251 Commissioner of Education.

252 Sec. 7. Section 4-38c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
253 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

254 There shall be within the executive branch of state government the  
255 following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department  
256 of Administrative Services, Department on Aging, Department of  
257 Revenue Services, Department of Banking, Department of Agriculture,  
258 Department of Children and Families, Department of Consumer  
259 Protection, Department of Correction, Department of Economic and  
260 Community Development, State Board of Education, Department of  
261 Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and  
262 Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Board of  
263 Regents for Higher Education, Insurance Department, Labor  
264 Department, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services,  
265 Department of Developmental Services, Department of Social Services,  
266 Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles, [and]  
267 Department of Veterans Affairs and the Technical Education and  
268 Career System.

269 Sec. 8. Section 10-99f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
270 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

271       (a) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2011, [and each fiscal  
272 year thereafter] to June 30, 2019, inclusive, the budget for the [technical  
273 high school system] Technical Education and Career System shall (1)  
274 be a separate budgeted agency from the Department of Education, and  
275 (2) include a separate (A) educational account for educational and  
276 school-based accounts and expenditures, and (B) noneducational  
277 account.

278       (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the  
279 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the  
280 Governor shall not reduce allotment requisitions or allotments in force  
281 concerning the educational account.

282       Sec. 9. Section 10-99f of the general statutes, as amended by section 8  
283 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
284 (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

285       (a) For the fiscal [years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019,  
286 inclusive] year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the  
287 budget for the Technical Education and Career System shall (1) be a  
288 separate budgeted agency, [from the Department of Education,] and  
289 (2) include a separate (A) educational account for educational and  
290 school-based accounts and expenditures, and (B) noneducational  
291 account.

292       (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the  
293 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the  
294 Governor shall not reduce allotment requisitions or allotments in force  
295 concerning the educational account.

296       Sec. 10. Section 10-99g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
297 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

298       (a) (1) [Each] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal  
299 year thereafter, each technical [high] education and career school shall  
300 prepare a proposed [operating] school budget for the next succeeding  
301 school year beginning July first and submit such proposed [operating]

302 school budget to the superintendent of the [technical high school  
303 system] Technical Education and Career System. Such proposed  
304 [operating] school budget shall include a statement of the staffing  
305 needs for such technical [high] education and career school. The  
306 superintendent shall collect, review and use the proposed [operating]  
307 school budget for each technical [high] education and career school to  
308 guide the preparation of a proposed [operating] school budget for the  
309 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System.

310 (2) [The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
311 submit a proposed operating budget for the technical high school  
312 system to the technical high school system board. Such proposed  
313 operating budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for the  
314 technical high school system. The board shall review, amend and  
315 approve such proposed operating budget and submit the approved  
316 budget to the State Board of Education. The state board shall review,  
317 but shall not amend, and submit such approved operating budget,  
318 with any comments or recommendations for revisions, to the Secretary  
319 of the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with the  
320 provisions of section 4-77. The superintendent shall submit a copy of  
321 (A) the proposed operating budgets for each technical high school,  
322 including the statement of the staffing needs for each technical high  
323 school, (B) the proposed operating budget for the technical high school  
324 system, including the statement of the staffing needs for the technical  
325 high school system, and (C) the approved operating budget for the  
326 technical high school system to the Office of Policy and Management  
327 and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
328 cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the  
329 budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section  
330 11-4a. The superintendent shall communicate directly with the  
331 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management regarding the  
332 creation or filling of staff positions included in the approved operating  
333 budget for the technical high school system.] The superintendent of the  
334 Technical Education and Career System shall prepare and submit the  
335 education budget for the Technical Education and Career System to

336 the Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career System.  
337 The education budget shall include educational and school-based  
338 accounts and expenditures, the school budget for each technical  
339 education and career school, and a statement of the staffing needs for  
340 the technical education and career schools. The executive director shall  
341 review the education budget and include the education budget as part  
342 of the operating budget for the Technical Education and Career  
343 System. The executive director shall report any financial  
344 inconsistencies or irregularities discovered during the course of such  
345 review to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the  
346 Commissioner of Administrative Services and the Auditors of Public  
347 Accounts. For purposes of this section and section 10-99f, as amended  
348 by this act, "educational and school-based accounts and expenditures"  
349 means funds used to (A) support instruction, programming and  
350 curriculum within the Technical Education and Career System, and (B)  
351 purchase supplies and equipment for instruction at individual  
352 technical education and career schools.

353 (3) The executive director shall prepare the central office budget for  
354 the Technical Education and Career System. Such central office budget  
355 shall include noneducational and central office accounts and  
356 expenditures and a statement of the staffing needs for the central office  
357 of the system. The executive director shall include the central office  
358 budget as part of the operating budget for the Technical Education and  
359 Career System.

360 (4) The executive director shall prepare and submit the operating  
361 budget of the Technical Education and Career System to the Office of  
362 Policy and Management in accordance with the provisions of section 4-  
363 77.

364 (5) The executive director shall annually submit a copy of (A) an  
365 itemized school budget for each technical education and career school,  
366 including the statement of the staffing needs for each technical  
367 education and career school, (B) the education budget, (C) the central  
368 office budget, including the statement of the staffing needs for the

369 system, and (D) the operating budget for the Technical Education and  
370 Career System to the joint standing committees of the General  
371 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and  
372 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with  
373 the provisions of section 11-4a.

374 (b) The [superintendent of the technical high school system]  
375 executive director shall semiannually submit the operating budget and  
376 expenses for each individual technical [high] education and career  
377 school, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the Secretary of the Office  
378 of Policy and Management, the director of the legislative Office of  
379 Fiscal Analysis and to the joint standing committee of the General  
380 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education.

381 (c) (1) The superintendent [of the technical high school system] shall  
382 make available and update on the [technical high school system]  
383 Technical Education and Career System Internet web site and the  
384 Internet web site of each technical [high] education and career school  
385 the operating budget for the current school year of each individual  
386 technical [high] education and career school.

387 (2) The executive director shall make available and update on the  
388 Technical Education and Career System Internet web site the operating  
389 budget for the current school year of the central office of the Technical  
390 Education and Career System and the operating budget for the  
391 Technical Education and Career System.

392 Sec. 11. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10-95h of the  
393 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
394 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

395 (2) The superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
396 Technical Education and Career System shall submit the following to  
397 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
398 cognizance of matters relating to education, higher education and  
399 employment advancement and labor: (A) Information ensuring that  
400 the curriculum of the [technical high school system] Technical

401 Education and Career System is incorporating those workforce skills  
402 that will be needed for the next thirty years, as identified by the Labor  
403 Commissioner in subdivision (1) of this subsection, into the technical  
404 [high] education and career schools; (B) information regarding the  
405 employment status of students who graduate from or complete an  
406 approved program of study at the [technical high school system]  
407 Technical Education and Career System, including, but not limited to:  
408 (i) Demographics such as age and gender, (ii) course and program  
409 enrollment and completion, (iii) employment status, and (iv) wages  
410 prior to enrolling and after graduating; (C) an assessment of the  
411 adequacy of the resources available to the [technical high school  
412 system] Technical Education and Career System as the system  
413 develops and refines programs to meet existing and emerging  
414 workforce needs; (D) recommendations to the technical high school  
415 system board to carry out the provisions of subparagraphs (A) to (C),  
416 inclusive, of this subdivision; [and] (E) information regarding staffing  
417 at each technical [high] education and career school for the current  
418 academic year; and (F) information regarding the transition process of  
419 the Technical Education and Career System as an independent agency,  
420 including, but not limited to, the actions taken by the Technical  
421 Education and Career System board and the superintendent to create a  
422 budget process and maintain programmatic consistency for students  
423 enrolled in the technical education and career system. The  
424 superintendent [of the technical high school system] shall collaborate  
425 with the Labor Commissioner to obtain information as needed to carry  
426 out the provisions of this subsection.

427 Sec. 12. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Education shall  
428 conduct a review of the admissions policy of the Technical Education  
429 and Career System as it relates to the enrollment of students with  
430 disabilities and students who are receiving or eligible to receive special  
431 education and related services. Such review shall include, but need not  
432 be limited to, consideration of (1) applicable principles of state and  
433 federal law, (2) the purposes and public character of the Technical  
434 Education and Career System, and (3) enrollment data of students

435 receiving special education and related services in the Technical  
436 Education and Career System compared to state-wide and district  
437 averages. Not later than January 15, 2018, the department shall submit  
438 such review, including any recommendations regarding modifications  
439 to the admissions policy or to any applicable statute or regulation, to  
440 the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System, the  
441 Technical Education and Career System board, and the joint standing  
442 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
443 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-  
444 4a of the general statutes.

445     Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) For the school year  
446 commencing July 1, 2018, and each school year thereafter, the  
447 Department of Education shall develop, and update as necessary,  
448 uniform standards and curriculum for all career technical education  
449 programs offered by local or regional boards of education. The  
450 department may adopt existing uniform standards and curriculum  
451 when developing such uniform standards and curriculum under this  
452 section. Such uniform standards and curriculum shall be aligned with  
453 professional certification requirements. The department shall make  
454 available, and provide technical assistance relating to the  
455 implementation of, such standards and curriculum to any local or  
456 regional board of education that offers a career technical education  
457 program.

458     Sec. 14. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Education shall,  
459 within available appropriations, conduct an evaluation of any existing  
460 standards relating to career technical education used by the Technical  
461 Education and Career System. The evaluation shall examine whether  
462 such standards are (1) aligned with professional certification  
463 requirements, and (2) uniform across the Technical Education and  
464 Career System. Not later than October 1, 2018, the department shall  
465 submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint  
466 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
467 matters relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of  
468 section 11-4a of the general statutes.

469 Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The superintendent of the  
470 Technical Education and Career System shall consult with each (1)  
471 regional community-technical college, and (2) local or regional board  
472 of education (A) for a town in which a technical education and career  
473 school is located, and (B) that offers any career technical education  
474 programs, for the purpose of establishing partnerships, reducing  
475 redundancies and consolidating programmatic offerings.

476 Sec. 16. (*Effective July 1, 2017*) For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
477 2018, the State Board of Education shall hire a consultant to (1) assist  
478 the Technical Education and Career System board with the  
479 development of a transition plan for the Technical Education and  
480 Career System, and (2) identify and provide recommendations  
481 concerning which services could be provided more efficiently through  
482 or in conjunction with another local or regional board of education,  
483 municipality or state agency by means of a memorandum of  
484 understanding with the Technical Education and Career System. Not  
485 later than January 1, 2019, the state board shall submit a report on the  
486 transition plan and such identified services and any recommendations  
487 for legislation necessary to implement such transition plan and such  
488 identified services to the joint standing committee of the General  
489 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, in  
490 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

491 Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) (a) For the fiscal years ending  
492 June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the superintendent of the Technical  
493 Education and Career System shall create and maintain a list that  
494 includes an inventory of all technical and vocational equipment,  
495 supplies and materials purchased or obtained and used in the  
496 provision of career technical education in each technical education and  
497 career school and across the Technical Education and Career System.  
498 The board shall consult such list (1) during the preparation of the  
499 budget for the Technical Education and Career System, pursuant to  
500 section 10-99g of the general statutes, as amended by this act, (2) prior  
501 to purchasing or obtaining any new equipment, supplies or materials,  
502 and (3) for the purpose of sharing equipment, supplies and materials



503 among technical education and career schools.

504 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year  
505 thereafter, the Executive Director of the Technical Education and  
506 Career System shall create and maintain a list that includes an  
507 inventory of all technical and vocational equipment, supplies and  
508 materials purchased or obtained and used in the provision of career  
509 technical education in each technical education and career school and  
510 across the Technical Education and Career System. The executive  
511 director shall consult such list (1) during the preparation of the budget  
512 for the Technical Education and Career System, pursuant to section 10-  
513 99g of the general statutes, as amended by this act, (2) prior to  
514 purchasing or obtaining any new equipment, supplies or materials,  
515 and (3) for the purpose of sharing equipment, supplies and materials  
516 among technical education and career schools.

517 Sec. 18. (*Effective July 1, 2017*) For the fiscal years ending June 30,  
518 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Education shall (1) provide  
519 training to those persons employed by the department within the  
520 Technical Education and Career System who will be responsible for  
521 performing central office and administrative functions for the system  
522 on and after July 1, 2019, and (2) identify those persons within the  
523 system who can be trained to perform multiple functions or  
524 responsibilities for the system.

525 Sec. 19. Subsection (a) of section 10-4 of the general statutes is  
526 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
527 *1, 2017*):

528 (a) Said board shall have general supervision and control of the  
529 educational interests of the state, which interests shall include  
530 preschool, elementary and secondary education, special education,  
531 vocational education and adult education; shall provide leadership  
532 and otherwise promote the improvement of education in the state,  
533 including research, planning and evaluation and services relating to  
534 the provision and use of educational technology, including

telecommunications, by school districts; shall prepare such courses of study and publish such curriculum guides including recommendations for textbooks, materials, instructional technological resources and other teaching aids as it determines are necessary to assist school districts to carry out the duties prescribed by law; shall conduct workshops and related activities, including programs of intergroup relations training, to assist teachers in making effective use of such curriculum materials and in improving their proficiency in meeting the diverse needs and interests of pupils; shall keep informed as to the condition, progress and needs of the schools in the state; [and] shall develop or cause to be developed evaluation and assessment programs designed to measure objectively the adequacy and efficacy of the educational programs offered by public schools and shall selectively conduct such assessment programs annually and report, pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, on an annual basis; and shall establish and keep an inventory account, in accordance with the provisions of section 4-36, secure such inventory to prevent theft or loss and establish controls over the disposal of such inventory.

Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) In accomplishment of their duties as set forth in section 2-90 of the general statutes, the Auditors of Public Accounts shall, as often as they deem necessary, examine the records and accounts of the Technical Education and Career System. Their findings shall be reported as required in section 2-90 of the general statutes.

Sec. 21. Subdivision (20) of section 1-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

(20) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council, commission, institution, constituent unit of the state system of higher education, technical [high] education and career school or other agency in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government.

568 Sec. 22. Subsection (i) of section 1-84 of the general statutes is  
569 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
570 *1, 2017*):

571 (i) (1) No public official or state employee or member of the official  
572 or employee's immediate family or a business with which he is  
573 associated shall enter into any contract with the state, valued at one  
574 hundred dollars or more, other than a contract (A) of employment as a  
575 state employee, (B) with the [technical high school system] Technical  
576 Education and Career System for students enrolled in a school in the  
577 system to perform services in conjunction with vocational, technical,  
578 [or] technological or postsecondary education and training any such  
579 student is receiving at a school in the system, subject to the review  
580 process under subdivision (2) of this subsection, (C) with a public  
581 institution of higher education to support a collaboration with such  
582 institution to develop and commercialize any invention or discovery,  
583 or (D) pursuant to a court appointment, unless the contract has been  
584 awarded through an open and public process, including prior public  
585 offer and subsequent public disclosure of all proposals considered and  
586 the contract awarded. In no event shall an executive head of an agency,  
587 as defined in section 4-166, including a commissioner of a department,  
588 or an executive head of a quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-  
589 79, as amended by this act, or the executive head's immediate family or  
590 a business with which he is associated enter into any contract with that  
591 agency or quasi-public agency. Nothing in this subsection shall be  
592 construed as applying to any public official who is appointed as a  
593 member of the executive branch or as a member or director of a quasi-  
594 public agency and who receives no compensation other than per diem  
595 payments or reimbursement for actual or necessary expenses, or both,  
596 incurred in the performance of the public official's duties unless such  
597 public official has authority or control over the subject matter of the  
598 contract. Any contract made in violation of this subsection shall be  
599 voidable by a court of competent jurisdiction if the suit is commenced  
600 not later than one hundred eighty days after the making of the  
601 contract.

602 (2) The superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
603 Technical Education and Career System shall establish an open and  
604 transparent process to review any contract entered into under  
605 subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

606 Sec. 23. Section 1-84d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
607 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

608 Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for purposes  
609 of this chapter, no foundation or alumni association established for the  
610 benefit of a constituent unit of public higher education or technical  
611 [high] education and career school shall be deemed to be doing  
612 business with or seeking to do business with such constituent unit of  
613 public higher education or technical [high] education and career  
614 school.

615 Sec. 24. Subdivision (23) of section 1-91 of the general statutes is  
616 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
617 *1, 2017*):

618 (23) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council,  
619 commission, institution, constituent unit of the state system of higher  
620 education, technical [high] education and career school or other agency  
621 in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government.

622 Sec. 25. Subsection (b) of section 3-20f of the general statutes is  
623 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
624 *1, 2017*):

625 (b) Notwithstanding section 3-20, to the extent there is a sufficient  
626 balance of bonds approved by the General Assembly pursuant to any  
627 bond act for the purposes of general maintenance and trade and  
628 capital equipment for any school in the [technical high school system]  
629 Technical Education and Career System, but not allocated by the State  
630 Bond Commission, said commission shall vote on whether to authorize  
631 the issuance of at least two million dollars of such bonds for such  
632 maintenance and equipment at each of said commission's regularly

633 scheduled meetings occurring in August and February of each year. If  
634 no meeting is held in said months, said commission shall vote on  
635 whether to authorize the issuance of such bonds at its next regularly  
636 scheduled meeting. To the extent there is a sufficient balance of bonds  
637 so approved by the General Assembly and there are pending general  
638 maintenance and trade and capital equipment transactions in excess of  
639 two million dollars, the [chairperson of the technical high school  
640 system board] superintendent of the Technical Education and Career  
641 System may request, and the State Bond Commission shall vote on  
642 whether to authorize the issuance of, bonds in excess of two million  
643 dollars. To the extent the balance of bonds so approved by the General  
644 Assembly is below two million dollars at the time of said commission's  
645 August or February meeting, said commission shall vote on whether to  
646 authorize the issuance of the remaining balance of such bonds.

647 Sec. 26. Section 4-29 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
648 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

649 Any state appropriation or the proceeds of any bond issue  
650 authorized by the General Assembly for the purpose of erecting a  
651 building or buildings for the use of any state institution, any institution  
652 under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State  
653 University System enumerated in section 10a-87, any [state technical  
654 high school] technical education and career school or The University of  
655 Connecticut, for the development of aviation and for other purposes,  
656 may be used in whole or in part as the state's share of the cost of the  
657 work involved in conjunction with any funds made available by any  
658 branch of the federal government if the Governor so determines and  
659 directs.

660 Sec. 27. Subsections (f) and (g) of section 4-67g of the general  
661 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
662 (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

663 (f) Each state agency shall request and obtain the written approval  
664 of the secretary or his or her designee prior to any (1) change in

665 ownership of state real property, (2) change in use of state real  
666 property, (3) use of state real property by an entity other than a state  
667 agency, or (4) use of state real property by a state agency other than the  
668 state agency with custody and control over such state real property.  
669 For purposes of this subsection, "state agency" does not include a  
670 constituent unit of the state system of higher education, a technical  
671 [high] education and career school or an agency in the legislative or  
672 judicial branch of state government.

673 (g) Except as otherwise provided, for the purposes of this section,  
674 "state real property" means any improved or unimproved real  
675 property owned by a state agency, and "state agency" means any  
676 office, department, board, council, commission, institution, constituent  
677 unit of the state system of higher education, technical [high] education  
678 and career school or other agency in the executive, legislative or  
679 judicial branch of state government.

680 Sec. 28. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 4-67n of the  
681 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
682 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

683 (3) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council,  
684 commission, institution, constituent unit of the state system of higher  
685 education, technical [high] education and career school or other agency  
686 in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government.

687 Sec. 29. Section 4-124z of the general statutes is repealed and the  
688 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

689 (a) The Labor Commissioner, the Commissioner of Economic and  
690 Community Development, working with the Office of Workforce  
691 Competitiveness, the Commissioners of Education and Social Services,  
692 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the  
693 president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, in  
694 consultation with the superintendent of the [technical high school  
695 system] Technical Education and Career System and one member of  
696 industry representing each of the economic clusters identified by the

697 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development pursuant to  
698 section 32-1m shall (1) review, evaluate and, as necessary, recommend  
699 improvements for certification and degree programs offered by the  
700 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
701 and the community-technical college system to ensure that such  
702 programs meet the employment needs of business and industry, and  
703 (2) develop strategies to strengthen the linkage between skill standards  
704 for education and training and the employment needs of business and  
705 industry.

706 (b) Not later than January 1, 2002, and annually thereafter, the  
707 Commissioner of Education shall report, in accordance with section 11-  
708 4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
709 cognizance of matters relating to education, commerce, labor and  
710 higher education and employment advancement on (1) the  
711 implementation of any recommended programs or strategies within  
712 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
713 System or the community-technical college system to strengthen the  
714 linkage between technical [high] education and career school and  
715 community-technical college certification and degree programs and  
716 the employment needs of business and industry, and (2) any  
717 certification or degree programs offered by technical [high] education  
718 and career schools or community-technical colleges that do not meet  
719 current industry standards.

720 Sec. 30. Subsection (a) of section 4-124ff of the general statutes is  
721 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
722 *1, 2017*):

723 (a) There is established, within available appropriations and in  
724 consultation with the council established under subsection (b) of this  
725 section, a competitive Innovation Challenge Grant program to promote  
726 and encourage partnerships and collaborations involving technology-  
727 based business and industry with institutions of higher education and  
728 technical [high] education and career schools for the development of  
729 educational programs in emerging and interdisciplinary technology

730 fields and to address related issues.

731 Sec. 31. Section 4-124gg of the general statutes is repealed and the  
732 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

733 Not later than October 1, 2012, the Labor Commissioner, with the  
734 assistance of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness and in  
735 consultation with [the chairperson of the technical high school system  
736 board and] the superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
737 Technical Education and Career System, shall create an integrated  
738 system of state-wide industry advisory committees for each career  
739 cluster offered as part of the [technical high school] Technical  
740 Education and Career System and regional community-technical  
741 college [systems] system. Said committees shall include industry  
742 representatives of the specific career cluster. Each committee for a  
743 career cluster shall, with support from the Labor Department,  
744 [technical high school and] Technical Education and Career System,  
745 regional community-technical college [systems] system and the  
746 Department of Education, establish specific skills standards,  
747 corresponding curriculum and a career ladder for the cluster which  
748 shall be implemented as part of the schools' core curriculum.

749 Sec. 32. Subsection (a) of section 4-124hh of the general statutes is  
750 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
751 *1, 2017*):

752 (a) The Department of Economic and Community Development  
753 shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to  
754 provide a flexible source of funding for the creation and generation of  
755 talent in institutions of higher education and, with appropriate  
756 connections to technical [high] education and career schools and other  
757 secondary schools, for student outreach and development. Grants  
758 pursuant to this subsection shall be awarded to institutions of higher  
759 education and may be used to:

760 (1) Upgrade instructional laboratories to meet specific industry-  
761 standard laboratory and instrumentation skill requirements;



762 (2) Develop new curriculum and certificate and degree programs at  
763 the associate, bachelor's, master's and doctorate levels, tied to industry  
764 identified needs;

765 (3) Develop seamlessly articulated career development programs in  
766 workforce shortage areas forecasted pursuant to subdivision (10) of  
767 subsection (b) of section 4-124w in collaboration with technical [high]  
768 education and career schools and other secondary schools and  
769 institutions of higher education;

770 (4) Support undergraduate and graduate student research projects  
771 and experimental learning activities; and

772 (5) Establish a nanotechnology [post-secondary] postsecondary  
773 education program and clearinghouse for curriculum development,  
774 scholarships and student outreach.

775 Sec. 33. Subsection (b) of section 4a-11a of the general statutes is  
776 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
777 *1, 2017*):

778 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
779 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be deposited in the  
780 Capital Equipment Purchase Fund created by section 4a-9. Any such  
781 proceeds shall be allocated to the Department of Education for [state  
782 technical high schools] technical education and career schools and  
783 satellites of such schools.

784 Sec. 34. Section 4d-83 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
785 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

786 The Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the  
787 Department of Education, shall provide (1) technical assistance to local  
788 and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and  
789 career schools to expand their educational technology capabilities,  
790 including, but not limited to, wiring, Internet connectivity and  
791 technical support, and (2) opportunities for such boards of education

792 and schools to purchase under state-wide contracts.

793 Sec. 35. Subsection (b) of section 5-275 of the general statutes is  
794 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
795 *1, 2017*):

796 (b) The board shall determine the appropriateness of a unit which  
797 shall be the public employer unit or a subdivision thereof. In  
798 determining the appropriateness of the unit, the board shall: (1) Take  
799 into consideration, but shall not limit consideration to, the following:  
800 (A) Public employees must have an identifiable community of interest,  
801 and (B) the effects of overfragmentation; (2) not decide that any unit is  
802 appropriate if (A) such unit includes both professional and  
803 nonprofessional employees, unless a majority of such professional  
804 employees vote for inclusion in such unit, or (B) such unit includes  
805 both Department of Correction employees at or above the level of  
806 lieutenant and Department of Correction employees below the level of  
807 lieutenant; (3) take into consideration that when the state is the  
808 employer, it will be bargaining on a state-wide basis unless issues  
809 involve working conditions peculiar to a given governmental  
810 employment locale; (4) permit the faculties of (A) The University of  
811 Connecticut, (B) the Connecticut State University System, and (C) the  
812 [state technical high schools] Technical Education and Career System  
813 to each comprise a separate unit, which in each case shall have the  
814 right to bargain collectively with their respective boards of trustees or  
815 their designated representatives; and (5) permit the community college  
816 faculty and the technical college faculty as they existed prior to July 1,  
817 1992, to continue to comprise separate units, which in each case shall  
818 have the right to bargain collectively with its board of trustees or its  
819 designated representative. Nonfaculty professional staff of the above  
820 institutions may by mutual agreement be included in such bargaining  
821 units, or they may form a separate bargaining unit of their own. This  
822 section shall not be deemed to prohibit multiunit bargaining.

823 Sec. 36. Section 8-265pp of the general statutes is repealed and the  
824 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

825 The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall develop and  
826 administer a program of mortgage assistance to certified teachers (1)  
827 employed by priority school districts pursuant to section 10-266p, (2)  
828 employed by transitional school districts pursuant to section 10-263c,  
829 (3) employed by [technical high schools] the Technical Education and  
830 Career System at a technical education and career school located in  
831 such priority or transitional school districts, or (4) who teach in a  
832 subject matter shortage area pursuant to section 10-8b. Such assistance  
833 shall be available to eligible teachers for the purchase of a house as  
834 their principal residence, provided, in the case of a teacher employed  
835 by a priority or a transitional school district, or by [a technical high  
836 school] the Technical Education and Career System at a technical  
837 education and career school located in a priority or transitional school  
838 district, the house is located in such district. In making mortgage  
839 assistance available under the program, the authority shall utilize  
840 down payment assistance or any other appropriate housing subsidies.  
841 The terms of any mortgage assistance shall allow the mortgagee to  
842 realize a reasonable portion of the equity gain upon sale of the  
843 mortgaged property.

844 Sec. 37. Section 10-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
845 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

846 (a) (1) Prior to July 1, 1998, the State Board of Education shall consist  
847 of nine members. On and after July 1, 1998, but prior to July 1, 2010,  
848 the State Board of Education shall consist of eleven members, two of  
849 whom shall be nonvoting student members.

850 (2) On and after July 1, 2010, but prior to April 1, 2011, the State  
851 Board of Education shall consist of thirteen members, at least two of  
852 whom shall have experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the  
853 regional vocational-technical schools or be alumni of or have served as  
854 educators at a regional vocational-technical school and two of whom  
855 shall be nonvoting student members. Only those members with  
856 experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the regional  
857 vocational-technical schools or are alumni of or have served as

educators at a regional vocational-technical school shall be eligible to serve as the chairperson for the regional vocational-technical school subcommittee of the board.

(3) On and after April 1, 2011, but prior to July 1, 2012, the State Board of Education shall consist of thirteen members, (A) at least two of whom shall have experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the regional vocational-technical schools or be alumni of or have served as educators at a regional vocational-technical school, (B) at least one of whom shall have experience in agriculture or be an alumni of or have served as an educator at a regional agricultural science and technology education center, and (C) two of whom shall be nonvoting student members. Only those members described in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall be eligible to serve as the chairperson for the regional vocational-technical school subcommittee of the board.

(4) On and after July 1, 2012, the State Board of Education shall consist of fourteen members, (A) at least two of whom shall have experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the technical [high] education and career schools or be alumni of or have served as educators at a technical [high] education and career school, (B) at least one of whom shall have experience in agriculture or be an alumni of or have served as an educator at a regional agricultural science and technology education center, and (C) two of whom shall be nonvoting student members.

(b) The Governor shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the General Assembly, the members of said board, provided each student member (1) is on the list submitted to the Governor pursuant to section 10-2a, (2) is enrolled in a public high school in the state, (3) has completed eleventh grade prior to the commencement of his term, (4) has at least a B plus average, and (5) provides at least three references from teachers in the school the student member is attending. The nonstudent members shall serve for terms of four years commencing on March first in the year of their appointment. The student members shall serve for terms of one year commencing on July first in the year

891 of their appointment. The president of the Connecticut State Colleges  
892 and Universities and the [chairperson of the technical high school  
893 system board] superintendent of the Technical Education and Career  
894 System shall serve as ex-officio members without a vote. Any vacancy  
895 in said State Board of Education shall be filled in the manner provided  
896 in section 4-19.

897 Sec. 38. Subsection (a) of section 10-4h of the general statutes is  
898 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
899 *1, 2017*):

900 (a) The Department of Education, in consultation with the  
901 Commission for Educational Technology, shall establish a competitive  
902 grant program, within the limit of the bond authorization for purposes  
903 of this section, to assist (1) local and regional school districts, (2)  
904 regional educational service centers, (3) cooperative arrangements  
905 among one or more boards of education, and (4) endowed academies  
906 approved pursuant to section 10-34 that are eligible for school building  
907 project grants pursuant to chapter 173, to upgrade or install wiring,  
908 including electrical wiring, cable or other distribution systems and  
909 infrastructure improvements to support telecommunications and other  
910 information transmission equipment to be used for educational  
911 purposes, provided the department may expend up to two per cent of  
912 such bond authorization for such purposes for the [technical high  
913 school system] Technical Education and Career System.

914 Sec. 39. Section 10-4r of the general statutes is repealed and the  
915 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

916 On or before July 1, 2011, the State Board of Education shall develop  
917 recommendations regarding the definition of region for purposes of  
918 attendance in the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
919 and Career System. The board shall submit such recommendations, in  
920 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing  
921 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
922 relating to education.

923 Sec. 40. Subsection (b) of section 10-9 of the general statutes is  
924 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
925 *1, 2017*):

926 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
927 the State Board of Education may receive in the name of the state any  
928 money or property given or bequeathed to the State Board of  
929 Education or to any of the technical [high] education and career  
930 schools. Said board shall transfer any such money to the State  
931 Treasurer who shall invest the money in accordance with the  
932 provisions of section 3-31a. Said board may use any such property for  
933 educational purposes.

934 Sec. 41. Section 10-13 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
935 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

936 The State Board of Education may appoint one or more school  
937 physicians for the [state technical high schools] Technical Education  
938 and Career System and shall provide such physicians with suitable  
939 facilities for the performance of such duties as it prescribes.

940 Sec. 42. Section 10-15d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
941 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

942 For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, and annually thereafter,  
943 all provisions of the general statutes concerning education, except  
944 those provisions relating to the eligibility for noncompetitive state aid  
945 unless otherwise provided, shall apply to the operation of the State of  
946 Connecticut-Unified School District #2 established pursuant to section  
947 17a-37 within the Department of Children and Families and State of  
948 Connecticut-Unified School District #1 established pursuant to section  
949 18-99a within the Department of Correction. All provisions of the  
950 general statutes concerning education, except those provisions relating  
951 to the eligibility for state aid unless otherwise provided, shall apply to  
952 the operation of the [technical high schools] Technical Education and  
953 Career System, established pursuant to the provisions of section 10-95,  
954 as amended by this act. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section,

955 where such a school or school district shows that a particular statutory  
956 provision should not apply, the commissioner may grant an exception.

957 Sec. 43. Section 10-19d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
958 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

959 The Department of Education shall establish, within available  
960 appropriations, a high school mathematics and science challenge pilot  
961 program, which uses performance results on the mathematics and  
962 science components of the mastery examination, given in accordance  
963 with the provisions of section 10-14n, for students in grade ten or  
964 eleven to design and implement mathematics and science curricula for  
965 students in the eleventh grade in the public high schools, including  
966 technical [high] education and career schools. For purposes of the  
967 program, the Commissioner of Education may award grants to local  
968 and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and  
969 career schools for demonstration projects. Local and regional boards of  
970 education and technical [high] education and career schools seeking to  
971 participate in the pilot program shall apply to the department at such  
972 time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes. The  
973 commissioner shall select a diverse group of participants based on the  
974 population, geographic location and economic characteristics of the  
975 school district or technical [high] education and career school. Local  
976 and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and  
977 career schools awarded grants under the program shall use grant  
978 funds for expenses for developing and implementing an instructional  
979 program in the mathematics and science subject areas targeting  
980 students who did not meet or exceed the level of proficiency in  
981 mathematics or science on such mastery examination, and conduct an  
982 evaluation of the program, including an analysis of student testing  
983 performance before and after participation in the program.

984 Sec. 44. Section 10-19e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
985 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

986 The Department of Education shall establish, within available

1087 appropriations, a "Future Scholars" pilot matching grant program for  
1088 public schools participating in externally funded programs that  
1089 provide supplemental mathematics and science programming and  
1090 instruction to students in grades eight to ten, inclusive, who scored  
1091 above the level of basic and below the level of proficiency on the  
1092 mastery examinations given during the previous year in accordance  
1093 with the provisions of section 10-14n. The Commissioner of Education,  
1094 for purposes of the program, may award grants to local and regional  
1095 boards of education and technical [high] education and career schools  
1096 for demonstration projects. Boards of education and technical [high]  
1097 education and career schools seeking to participate in the pilot  
1098 program shall apply to the department at such time and in such form  
1099 as the commissioner prescribes. The commissioner shall select  
1100 participants based on the quality of proposed programs and evidence  
1101 of commitment by businesses supporting the project. Local and  
1102 regional boards of education and technical [high] education and career  
1103 schools awarded grants under the program shall use grant funds for  
1104 development and implementation of an interdisciplinary mathematics,  
1105 science and technology curriculum, including the establishment and  
1106 staffing of mathematics and science laboratories, in middle and high  
1107 schools that have demonstrated support and involvement by local or  
1108 state-wide mathematics, science or technology intensive businesses in  
1109 the state.

1110 Sec. 45. Subsection (a) of section 10-20a of the general statutes is  
1111 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1112 *1, 2017*):

1113 (a) Local and regional boards of education, the [technical high  
1114 school system] Technical Education and Career System, postsecondary  
1115 institutions and regional educational service centers, may (1) in  
1116 consultation with regional workforce development boards established  
1117 pursuant to section 31-3k, as amended by this act, local employers,  
1118 labor organizations and community-based organizations establish  
1119 career pathway programs leading to a Connecticut career certificate in  
1120 accordance with this section, and (2) enroll students in such programs



1021 based on entry criteria determined by the establishing agency. Such  
1022 programs shall be approved by the Commissioner of Education and  
1023 the Labor Commissioner. Applications for program approval shall be  
1024 submitted to the Commissioner of Education in such form and at such  
1025 time as the commissioner prescribes. All programs leading to a  
1026 Connecticut career certificate shall provide equal access for all students  
1027 and necessary accommodations and support for students with  
1028 disabilities.

1029 Sec. 46. Section 10-21g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1030 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1031 The Department of Education shall establish, within available  
1032 appropriations, a "Generation Next" pilot program to provide  
1033 industry-based job shadowing and internship experiences to high  
1034 school students and externship experiences to teachers in the public  
1035 schools, including the technical [high] education and career schools.  
1036 The Commissioner of Education, for purposes of the program, may  
1037 award grants to local and regional boards of education, technical  
1038 [high] education and career schools or state-wide or local business  
1039 associations, in partnership with such boards of education or schools,  
1040 for demonstration projects. Boards of education, technical [high]  
1041 education and career schools or business associations seeking to  
1042 participate in the pilot program shall apply to the department at such  
1043 time and in such form as the commissioner prescribes. The  
1044 commissioner shall select a diverse group of participants based on the  
1045 population, geographic location and economic characteristics of the  
1046 school district or school. Local and regional boards of education,  
1047 technical [high] education and career schools or business associations  
1048 awarded grants under the program shall use grant funds for  
1049 developing and implementing a coordinated high school level teacher  
1050 externship and student job shadowing and internship program with  
1051 science or mathematics or with technology intensive businesses in the  
1052 state.

1053 Sec. 47. Subsection (a) of section 10-21j of the general statutes is

1054 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1055 *1, 2017*):

1056 (a) The Commissioner of Education, in collaboration with the Board  
1057 of Regents for Higher Education, shall establish a committee to  
1058 coordinate the education of middle school and high school students  
1059 about careers in manufacturing. Such committee shall include, but not  
1060 be limited to, (1) representatives from the Department of Economic  
1061 and Community Development, the Labor Department, the Connecticut  
1062 Center for Advanced Technology, the [technical high school system]  
1063 Technical Education and Career System, the advanced manufacturing  
1064 centers at the regional community-technical colleges, independent  
1065 institutions of higher education in the state that offer training in the  
1066 field of manufacturing, the Connecticut Employment and Training  
1067 Commission, manufacturing companies and employee organizations  
1068 that represent manufacturing workers, and (2) middle and high school  
1069 teachers and guidance counselors.

1070 Sec. 48. Section 10-55 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1071 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1072 No pupil from any town belonging to a regional school district  
1073 shall, at the expense of such town, attend any other school in lieu of  
1074 that provided by said district except a technical [high] education and  
1075 career school approved by the State Board of Education, unless his  
1076 attendance at such other school is approved by the regional board of  
1077 education.

1078 Sec. 49. Subsection (d) of section 10-64 of the general statutes is  
1079 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1080 *1, 2017*):

1081 (d) Any local or regional board of education which does not furnish  
1082 agricultural science and technology education approved by the State  
1083 Board of Education shall designate a school or schools having such a  
1084 course approved by the State Board of Education as the school which  
1085 any person may attend who has completed an elementary school

1086 course through the eighth grade. The board of education shall pay the  
1087 tuition and reasonable and necessary cost of transportation of any  
1088 person under twenty-one years of age who is not a graduate of a high  
1089 school or technical [high] education and career school or an  
1090 agricultural science and technology education center and who attends  
1091 the designated school, provided transportation services may be  
1092 suspended in accordance with the provisions of section 10-233c. Each  
1093 such board's reimbursement percentage pursuant to section 10-266m,  
1094 as amended by this act, for expenditures in excess of eight hundred  
1095 dollars per pupil incurred in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and  
1096 in each fiscal year thereafter, shall be increased by an additional  
1097 twenty percentage points.

1098 Sec. 50. Section 10-66p of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1099 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1100 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 4-98, 4-212 to 4-219,  
1101 inclusive, 4a-51 and 4a-57, the Commissioner of Education may  
1102 allocate funds to allow regional educational service centers and state  
1103 education organizations to provide professional development services,  
1104 technical assistance and evaluation activities to local and regional  
1105 boards of education, state charter schools, technical [high] education  
1106 and career schools, school readiness providers and other educational  
1107 entities, as determined by the commissioner. Regional educational  
1108 service centers and state education organizations shall expend such  
1109 funds in accordance with procedures and conditions prescribed by the  
1110 commissioner. For purposes of this section, state education  
1111 organizations may include, but not be limited to, organizations or  
1112 associations representing superintendents, boards of education and  
1113 elementary and secondary schools.

1114 Sec. 51. Subdivision (4) of section 10-67 of the general statutes is  
1115 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1116 *1, 2017*):

1117 (4) "Cooperating eligible entity" means any corporation or other

1118 business entity, nonprofit organization, private occupational school  
1119 authorized pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive,  
1120 institution of higher education licensed or accredited pursuant to the  
1121 provisions of section 10a-34, technical [high] education and career  
1122 school or library which provides classes or services specified under  
1123 subparagraph (A) of subsection (a) of section 10-69, in conformance  
1124 with the program standards applicable to boards of education, through  
1125 a written cooperative arrangement with a local or regional board of  
1126 education or regional educational service center;

1127 Sec. 52. Subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 10-69 of the  
1128 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1129 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1130 (2) Credit for successful completion of courses taken for credit at  
1131 state-accredited institutions, including public and private community  
1132 colleges, technical colleges, community-technical colleges, four-year  
1133 colleges and universities and approved public and private high schools  
1134 and technical [high] education and career schools;

1135 Sec. 53. Subsection (c) of section 10-74d of the general statutes is  
1136 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1137 *1, 2017*):

1138 (c) The Department of Education may retain (1) up to one per cent  
1139 of the amount appropriated for interdistrict cooperative grants  
1140 pursuant to this section for state-wide technical assistance, program  
1141 monitoring and evaluation, and administration, and (2) up to one per  
1142 cent of such amount for use by the [technical high schools] Technical  
1143 High School System for interdistrict summer school, weekend and  
1144 after-school programs.

1145 Sec. 54. Section 10-76q of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1146 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1147 (a) The State Board of Education, in accordance with regulations  
1148 adopted by said board, shall: (1) Provide the professional services

1149 necessary to identify, in accordance with section 10-76a, children  
1150 requiring special education who are enrolled at [state technical high  
1151 schools, in accordance with section 10-95] a technical education and  
1152 career school; (2) identify each such child; (3) determine the  
1153 appropriateness of the [state technical high school] technical education  
1154 and career school for the educational needs of each such child; (4)  
1155 provide an appropriate educational program for each such child; (5)  
1156 maintain a record thereof; and (6) annually evaluate the progress and  
1157 accomplishments of special education programs [at the state technical  
1158 high schools] provided by the Technical Education and Career System.

1159 (b) Where it is deemed appropriate that a child enrolled in a [state  
1160 technical high school] technical education and career school receive  
1161 special education, the parents or guardian of such child shall have a  
1162 right to the hearing and appeal process as provided for in section 10-  
1163 76h.

1164 (c) If a planning and placement team determines that a student  
1165 requires special education services which preclude such student's  
1166 participation in the vocational education program offered by a  
1167 technical [high] education and career school, the student shall be  
1168 referred to the board of education in the town in which the student  
1169 resides for the development of an individualized educational program  
1170 and such board of education shall be responsible for the  
1171 implementation and financing of such program.

1172 Sec. 55. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 10-76oo of the  
1173 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1174 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1175 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, the  
1176 Department of Education shall (1) purchase, in accordance with the  
1177 provisions of section 4a-57, a digital individualized education program  
1178 form software for purposes of creating, submitting and sharing digital  
1179 copies of a student's individualized education program and related  
1180 documents among authorized users, and (2) provide such digital

1181 individualized education program form software at no cost to local  
1182 and regional boards of education and the [technical high school  
1183 system] Technical Education and Career System.

1184 (b) On or before October 1, 2015, the department shall issue a  
1185 request for proposals to eligible software companies for the purchase  
1186 of the digital individualized education program form software. Such  
1187 request for proposals shall require that the digital individualized  
1188 education program form software: (1) Allow authorized users to create  
1189 and submit a complete digital copy of a student's individualized  
1190 education program and related documents to the portal and share such  
1191 digital copy with (A) the department for purposes of conducting a  
1192 remote audit; and (B) a local or regional board of education or the  
1193 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1194 in a case where the student may transfer, (2) provide twenty-four-hour  
1195 access for an unlimited number of authorized users to use the digital  
1196 individualized education program form software, (3) provide an  
1197 electronic catalog of goals and objectives aligned with the curriculum  
1198 standards adopted by the State Board of Education, (4) allow local and  
1199 regional boards of education and the [technical high school system]  
1200 Technical Education and Career System to purchase additional  
1201 programs to supplement the digital individualized education program  
1202 form software, and (5) protect a student's individual education  
1203 program and related documents that are created, submitted and  
1204 shared using the digital individualized education program form  
1205 software from unauthorized access, destruction, use, modification or  
1206 disclosure in accordance with current industry standards.

1207 (c) When evaluating the responses to the request for proposals and  
1208 selecting a digital individualized education program form software,  
1209 the department shall consider the types of digital individualized  
1210 education program form software currently used and successfully  
1211 implemented by local and regional boards of education and the  
1212 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System.

1213 (d) For the school year commencing July 1, 2016, and each school

1214 year thereafter, if the department purchases a digital individualized  
1215 education program under this section, the department shall provide  
1216 such digital individualized education program form software to fifty  
1217 per cent of the local and regional boards of education and to fifty per  
1218 cent of the technical [high] education and career schools under the  
1219 jurisdiction of the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
1220 and Career System. For the school year commencing July 1, 2017, and  
1221 each school year thereafter, the department shall provide the digital  
1222 individualized education program form software to the remaining fifty  
1223 per cent of the local and regional boards of education and to the  
1224 remaining fifty per cent of the technical [high] education and career  
1225 schools under the jurisdiction of the [technical high school system]  
1226 Technical Education and Career System.

1227 Sec. 56. Section 10-76pp of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1228 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1229 (a) The Department of Education shall provide a digital  
1230 individualized education program form software at no cost to local  
1231 and regional boards of education and the [technical high school  
1232 system] Technical Education and Career System in accordance with  
1233 section 10-76oo, as amended by this act. Such digital individualized  
1234 education program form software shall permit local and regional  
1235 boards of education and the [technical high school system] Technical  
1236 Education and Career System to create and submit a complete digital  
1237 copy of a student's individualized education program and related  
1238 documents to (1) the department for purposes of conducting a remote  
1239 audit, and (2) a local or regional board of education or the [technical  
1240 high school system] Technical Education and Career System in which  
1241 such student has transferred to.

1242 (b) A local and regional board of education and the [technical high  
1243 school system] Technical Education and Career System shall use the  
1244 digital individualized education program form software when such  
1245 software is provided by the department, except as otherwise provided  
1246 in subsection (c) of this section.

1247 (c) Nothing in this section shall affect or impair any agreement  
1248 entered into between a local or regional board of education or the  
1249 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1250 and a software company for purposes of creating and sharing digital  
1251 copies of a student's individualized education program and related  
1252 documents prior to the department providing a digital individualized  
1253 education program form software to such local or regional board of  
1254 education or [such technical high school system] the Technical  
1255 Education and Career System pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.  
1256 When any such agreement terminates or expires, the local or regional  
1257 board of education or the [technical high school system] Technical  
1258 Education and Career System, as applicable, shall use the digital  
1259 individualized education program form software provided by the  
1260 department.

1261 Sec. 57. Section 10-95a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1262 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1263 The State Board of Education shall establish a student activity  
1264 program at each [of the state technical high schools] technical  
1265 education and career school. Such programs shall consist of athletic  
1266 and nonathletic activities. State funds may be expended for the  
1267 purposes of this section.

1268 Sec. 58. Subsection (a) of section 10-95e of the general statutes is  
1269 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1270 *1, 2017*):

1271 (a) The State Board of Education shall establish a Vocational  
1272 Education Extension Fund. Within said Vocational Education  
1273 Extension Fund, there is established an account to be known as the  
1274 "vocational education extension account". The Vocational Education  
1275 Extension Fund may include other accounts separate and apart from  
1276 the vocational education extension account. The vocational education  
1277 extension account shall be used for the operation of preparatory and  
1278 supplemental programs, including apprenticeship programs in



1279 accordance with subsection (b) of this section, and for the purchase of  
1280 such materials and equipment required for use in the operation of said  
1281 programs. All proceeds derived from the operation of said programs  
1282 and revenue collected for rental or use of school facilities shall be  
1283 credited to and become a part of the resources of said vocational  
1284 education extension account, except as provided in subsection (b) of  
1285 this section. All direct expenses incurred in the conduct of said  
1286 programs shall be charged, and any payments of interest and principal  
1287 of bonds or any sums transferable to any fund for the payment of  
1288 interest and principal of bonds and any cost of equipment for such  
1289 operations may be charged, against said vocational education  
1290 extension account on order of the State Comptroller. Any balance of  
1291 receipts above expenditures shall remain in said vocational education  
1292 extension account to be used for said program and for the acquisition,  
1293 as provided by section 4b-21, alteration and repairs of real property for  
1294 educational facilities for such programs, except such sums as may be  
1295 required to be transferred from time to time to any fund for the  
1296 redemption of bonds and payment of interest on bonds, provided  
1297 capital projects costing over one hundred thousand dollars shall  
1298 require the approval of the General Assembly or, when the General  
1299 Assembly is not in session, of the Finance Advisory Committee. The  
1300 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1301 board shall fix the tuition fees to be charged students for preparatory  
1302 and supplemental programs including apprenticeship programs. Not  
1303 less than half of the tuition fee charged for any apprenticeship  
1304 program shall be paid by the employer.

1305 Sec. 59. Section 10-95h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1306 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1307 (a) Not later than November thirtieth each year, the joint standing  
1308 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1309 relating to education, higher education and employment advancement  
1310 and labor shall meet with the chairperson of the [technical high school  
1311 system] Technical Education and Career System board and the  
1312 superintendent of the [technical high school system] Technical

1313 Education and Career System, the Labor Commissioner, the  
1314 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and such  
1315 other persons as they deem appropriate to consider the items  
1316 submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

1317 (b) On or before November fifteenth, annually:

1318 (1) The Labor Commissioner shall submit the following to the joint  
1319 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
1320 matters relating to education, higher education and employment  
1321 advancement and labor: (A) Information identifying general economic  
1322 trends in the state; (B) occupational information regarding the public  
1323 and private sectors, such as continuous data on occupational  
1324 movements; and (C) information identifying emerging regional, state  
1325 and national workforce needs over the next thirty years.

1326 (2) The superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
1327 Technical Education and Career System shall submit the following to  
1328 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
1329 cognizance of matters relating to education, higher education and  
1330 employment advancement and labor: (A) Information ensuring that  
1331 the curriculum of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1332 Education and Career System is incorporating those workforce skills  
1333 that will be needed for the next thirty years, as identified by the Labor  
1334 Commissioner in subdivision (1) of this subsection, into the technical  
1335 [high] education and career schools; (B) information regarding the  
1336 employment status of students who graduate from or complete an  
1337 approved program of study at the [technical high school system]  
1338 Technical Education and Career System, including, but not limited to:  
1339 (i) Demographics such as age and gender, (ii) course and program  
1340 enrollment and completion, (iii) employment status, and (iv) wages  
1341 prior to enrolling and after graduating; (C) an assessment of the  
1342 adequacy of the resources available to the [technical high school  
1343 system] Technical Education and Career System as the system  
1344 develops and refines programs to meet existing and emerging  
1345 workforce needs; (D) recommendations to the [technical high school

1346 system] Technical Education and Career System board to carry out the  
1347 provisions of subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of this subdivision;  
1348 and (E) information regarding staffing at each technical [high]  
1349 education and career school for the current academic year. The  
1350 superintendent of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1351 Education and Career System shall collaborate with the Labor  
1352 Commissioner to obtain information as needed to carry out the  
1353 provisions of this subsection.

1354 (3) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
1355 shall submit the following to the joint standing committees of the  
1356 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,  
1357 higher education and employment advancement and labor: (A)  
1358 Information regarding the relationship between the Department of  
1359 Economic and Community Development and the [technical high  
1360 school system] Technical Education and Career System, (B)  
1361 information regarding coordinated efforts of the department and the  
1362 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1363 to collaborate with the business community, (C) information on  
1364 workforce training needs identified by the department through its  
1365 contact with businesses, (D) recommendations regarding how the  
1366 department and the [technical high school system] Technical  
1367 Education and Career System can coordinate or improve efforts to  
1368 address the workforce training needs identified in subparagraph (C) of  
1369 this subdivision, (E) information regarding the efforts of the  
1370 department to utilize the [technical high school system] Technical  
1371 Education and Career System in business assistance and economic  
1372 development programs offered by the department, and (F) any  
1373 additional information the commissioner deems relevant.

1374 Sec. 60. Section 10-95i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1375 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1376 (a) Not later than January 1, 2020, and every five years thereafter,  
1377 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
1378 System board shall adopt a long-range plan of priorities and goals for

1379 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
1380 System. The plan shall address coordination with other providers of  
1381 vocational, technical, [or] technological or postsecondary education or  
1382 training and shall include (1) an analysis of the activities described in  
1383 subsections (b) and (c) of this section and how such activities relate to  
1384 the long-range plan of priorities and goals, and (2) a summary of  
1385 activities related to capital improvements and equipment pursuant to  
1386 subsection (d) of this section. Upon adoption of the plan, the board  
1387 shall file the plan directly with the joint standing committees of the  
1388 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,  
1389 finance, revenue and bonding and appropriations and the budgets of  
1390 state agencies in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The  
1391 state board shall use the plan in preparing its five-year comprehensive  
1392 plan pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-4.

1393 (b) During the five-year period beginning January 1, 2020, and  
1394 during each five-year period thereafter, the board shall evaluate each  
1395 existing technical [high] education and career school trade program in  
1396 accordance with a schedule which the board shall establish. A trade  
1397 program may be reauthorized for a period of not more than five years  
1398 following each evaluation on the basis of: The projected employment  
1399 demand for students enrolled in the trade program, including  
1400 consideration of the employment of graduates of the program during  
1401 the preceding five years; anticipated technological changes; the  
1402 availability of qualified instructors; the existence of similar programs  
1403 at other educational institutions; and student interest in the trade  
1404 program. As part of the evaluation, the board shall consider  
1405 geographic differences that may make a trade program feasible at one  
1406 school and not another and whether certain combinations of program  
1407 offerings shall be required. Prior to any final decision on the  
1408 reauthorization of a trade program, the board shall consult with the  
1409 craft committees for the trade program being evaluated.

1410 (c) The board shall consider the addition of new trade programs.  
1411 Decisions by the board to add such programs shall at a minimum be  
1412 based on the projected employment demand for graduates of the

1413 program, the cost of establishing the program, the availability of  
1414 qualified instructors, the existence of similar programs at other  
1415 educational institutions and the interest of students in the trade. The  
1416 board shall authorize new trade programs for a maximum of five  
1417 years. The board shall provide a process for the public, including, but  
1418 not limited to, employers, parents, students or teachers, to request  
1419 consideration of the establishment of a new trade program.

1420 (d) The board shall maintain a rolling three-year capital  
1421 improvement and capital equipment plan that identifies: (1)  
1422 Alterations, renovations and repairs that each technical [high]  
1423 education and career school is expected to need, including, but not  
1424 limited to, grounds and athletic fields, heating and ventilation systems,  
1425 wiring, roofs, and windows, and the cost of such projects, (2)  
1426 recommendations for energy efficiency improvements to each school  
1427 and the cost of such improvements, and (3) the specific equipment  
1428 each technical [high] education and career school is expected to need,  
1429 based on the useful life of existing equipment and projections of  
1430 changing technology and the estimated cost of the equipment. The  
1431 board shall submit such plan, annually, directly to the joint standing  
1432 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1433 relating to education, finance, revenue and bonding and  
1434 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies in accordance with  
1435 the provisions of section 11-4a.

1436 Sec. 61. Section 10-95j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1437 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1438 The State Board of Education shall include in the report required  
1439 pursuant to section 10-95k, as amended by this act, a summary of the  
1440 following:

1441 (1) Admissions policies for [technical high schools] the Technical  
1442 Education and Career System;

1443 (2) Recruitment and retention of faculty;

1444 (3) Efforts to strengthen consideration of the needs of and to  
1445 develop greater public awareness of the [technical high schools]  
1446 Technical Education and Career System; and

1447 (4) Efforts to strengthen the role of school craft committees and  
1448 increase employer participation.

1449 Sec. 62. Section 10-95k of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1450 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1451 (a) Not later than January 1, 2017, and biennially thereafter, the  
1452 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1453 board shall prepare a summary report concerning the [technical high  
1454 school system] Technical Education and Career System and shall  
1455 submit the report directly to the joint standing committee of the  
1456 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education  
1457 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The report shall  
1458 include demographic information for the preceding two school years  
1459 on applicants for admission, students enrolled and graduates, and a  
1460 summary of the capital and operating expenditures. Such information  
1461 shall be provided for the [technical high school system] Technical  
1462 Education and Career System and for each technical [high] education  
1463 and career school and satellite facility. Enrollment information shall be  
1464 reported by race and sex and by specific trade programs. Applicant  
1465 information shall include the number of applicants, the number  
1466 accepted and the number enrolled reported by race and sex.  
1467 Enrollment capacity for each school and projected enrollment capacity  
1468 for the subsequent school year shall be developed on the basis of a  
1469 standardized format and shall be reported for each school and satellite  
1470 facility. The report shall also include assessment of student outcomes  
1471 including, but not limited to, mastery examination results pursuant to  
1472 section 10-14n, retention and completion rates, and postsecondary  
1473 education or employment based on graduate follow-up and, for  
1474 purposes of employment placement, state unemployment insurance  
1475 wage records.

1476 (b) Reports prepared and submitted pursuant to subsection (a) of  
1477 this section on and after January 1, 2017, shall identify each technical  
1478 [high] education and career school for which enrollment on the  
1479 preceding October first was less than seventy per cent of the  
1480 enrollment capacity identified in the report pursuant to this section for  
1481 the prior year. For each such school the report shall include an analysis  
1482 of: (1) The reasons for such enrollment, including, but not limited to,  
1483 the interest in the specific trade programs offered, the resources  
1484 needed to serve special education students, demographic changes and  
1485 the existence of alternative vocational, technical and technological  
1486 educational training programs in the region in which the school is  
1487 located; (2) the likelihood that enrollment will increase or decrease in  
1488 the future; (3) any alternative uses for unused space in the facility; and  
1489 (4) a recommendation on the steps to be taken to improve enrollment  
1490 or a timetable for closing the school. In preparing the analysis, the  
1491 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1492 board shall provide an opportunity for public comment.

1493 Sec. 63. Section 10-95l of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1494 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1495 The Department of Education shall provide in-service training  
1496 programs, in accordance with subsection (a) of section 10-220a, for the  
1497 teachers, administrators and pupil personnel employed in the  
1498 [technical high schools] Technical Education and Career System who  
1499 hold the initial educator, provisional educator or professional educator  
1500 certificate. In addition, the department shall provide programs to  
1501 enhance the knowledge and skill level of such teachers in their  
1502 vocational or technical field.

1503 Sec. 64. Section 10-95n of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1504 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1505 Each technical [high] education and career school shall provide  
1506 access to directory information and on-campus recruiting  
1507 opportunities to representatives of the armed forces of the United

1508 States of America and state armed services to the extent necessary  
1509 under federal law to prevent the loss of federal funds to such school or  
1510 to the state of Connecticut. The disclosure of information pursuant to  
1511 this section shall otherwise be subject to the provisions of the Freedom  
1512 of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200.

1513 Sec. 65. Section 10-95o of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1514 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1515 (a) (1) The State Board of Education shall not close or suspend  
1516 operations of any technical [high] education and career school for more  
1517 than six months unless the board (A) holds a public hearing at the  
1518 school that may be closed or whose operations may be suspended, (B)  
1519 develops and makes available a comprehensive plan for such school in  
1520 accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and (C)  
1521 affirmatively votes to close or suspend operations at a meeting duly  
1522 called. Such public hearing shall be held after normal school hours and  
1523 at least thirty days prior to any vote of the board pursuant to  
1524 subparagraph (C) of this subdivision.

1525 (2) The board shall not extend the closure or suspension of  
1526 operations of a technical [high] education and career school beyond the  
1527 period set forth in the comprehensive plan described in subsection (b)  
1528 of this section unless the board (A) holds another public hearing at a  
1529 location in the town in which the school is located, after normal school  
1530 hours and at least thirty days prior to any vote of the board pursuant  
1531 to subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, (B) develops and makes  
1532 available a new comprehensive plan for such school in accordance  
1533 with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and (C)  
1534 affirmatively votes to extend such closure or suspension of school  
1535 operations at a meeting duly called.

1536 (b) The State Board of Education shall develop a comprehensive  
1537 plan regarding the closure or suspension of operations of any technical  
1538 [high] education and career school prior to the public hearing  
1539 described in subsection (a) of this section. Such comprehensive plan



1540 shall include, but not be limited to, (1) an explanation of the reasons  
1541 for the school closure or suspension of operations, including a cost-  
1542 benefit analysis of such school closing or suspension of operations, (2)  
1543 the length of the school closure or suspension of operations, (3) the  
1544 financial plan for the school during the closure or suspension of  
1545 operations, including, but not limited to, the costs of such school  
1546 closure or suspension of operations, (4) a description of the transitional  
1547 phase to school closure or suspension of operations and a description  
1548 of the transitional phase to reopening the school, (5) an explanation of  
1549 what will happen to students currently enrolled at such school during  
1550 the school closure or suspension of operations, including, but not  
1551 limited to, available technical [high] education and career schools for  
1552 such students to attend and transportation for such students to such  
1553 schools, (6) an explanation of what will happen to school personnel  
1554 during the school closure or suspension of operations, including, but  
1555 not limited to, employment at other schools, and (7) an explanation of  
1556 how the school building and property will be used during the school  
1557 closure or suspension of operations. The State Board of Education shall  
1558 provide for the mailing of such comprehensive plan to parents and  
1559 guardians of students enrolled at the school and to school personnel  
1560 employed at such school, and make such comprehensive plan  
1561 available on the school's web site at least fourteen days prior to the  
1562 public hearing described in subsection (a) of this section.

1563 (c) The State Board of Education shall be responsible for  
1564 transporting any student enrolled in a technical [high] education and  
1565 career school that is closed or whose operations are suspended  
1566 pursuant to this section to another technical [high] education and  
1567 career school during such period of closure or suspension of  
1568 operations, and the board shall be responsible for the costs associated  
1569 with such transportation.

1570 Sec. 66. Section 10-96c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1571 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1572 The Commissioner of Education may indemnify and hold harmless

1573 any person, as defined in section 1-79, as amended by this act, who  
1574 makes a gift of tangible property or properties with a fair market value  
1575 in excess of one thousand dollars to the Department of Education or  
1576 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
1577 System for instructional purposes. Any indemnification under this  
1578 section shall be solely for any damages caused as a result of the use of  
1579 such tangible property, provided there shall be no indemnification for  
1580 any liability resulting from (1) intentional or wilful misconduct by the  
1581 person providing such tangible property to the department or the  
1582 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System,  
1583 or (2) hidden defects in such tangible property that are known to and  
1584 not disclosed by the person providing such tangible property to the  
1585 department or the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
1586 and Career System at the time the gift is made.

1587 Sec. 67. Section 10-97 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1588 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1589 (a) The board of education of any town or, where the boards of  
1590 education of constituent towns have so agreed, any regional school  
1591 district shall provide the reasonable and necessary transportation,  
1592 except as provided in section 10-233c, for any student under twenty-  
1593 one years of age who is not a graduate of a high school or technical  
1594 [high] education and career school and who resides with a parent or  
1595 guardian in such town or regional school district or who belongs to  
1596 such town, and who attends a state or state-approved technical [high]  
1597 education and career school within such local or regional school  
1598 district as a regular all-day student or as a high school cooperative  
1599 student, and for any such student who attends any such school in a  
1600 town other than the town of his residence. When the cost of such  
1601 transportation out-of-town would exceed the sum of two hundred  
1602 dollars per year, said board of education may elect to maintain such  
1603 student in the town where he or she attends such technical [high]  
1604 education and career school and for the cost of such maintenance the  
1605 local or regional school district shall be reimbursed in the same  
1606 manner and to the same extent as in the case of payment for

1607 transportation. Each such board's reimbursement percentage pursuant  
1608 to section 10-266m, as amended by this act, for expenditures in excess  
1609 of eight hundred dollars per pupil incurred in the fiscal year beginning  
1610 July 1, 1987, and in each fiscal year thereafter, shall be increased by an  
1611 additional twenty percentage points.

1612 (b) Any local or regional board of education which does not furnish  
1613 agricultural science and technology education approved by the State  
1614 Board of Education shall designate a school or schools having such a  
1615 course approved by the State Board of Education as the school which  
1616 any person may attend who has completed an elementary school  
1617 course through the eighth grade. The board of education shall pay the  
1618 tuition and reasonable and necessary cost of transportation of any  
1619 person under twenty-one years of age who is not a graduate of a high  
1620 school or technical [high] education and career school and who attends  
1621 the designated school, provided transportation services may be  
1622 suspended in accordance with the provisions of section 10-233c. Each  
1623 such board's reimbursement percentage pursuant to section 10-266m,  
1624 as amended by this act, for expenditures in excess of eight hundred  
1625 dollars per pupil incurred in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, and  
1626 in each fiscal year thereafter, shall be increased by an additional  
1627 twenty percentage points.

1628 (c) Any local or regional board of education which transports  
1629 students to a state or state-approved technical [high] education and  
1630 career school, or school furnishing agricultural science and technology  
1631 education shall be reimbursed for a portion of such pupil  
1632 transportation annually in accordance with the provisions of section  
1633 10-266m, as amended by this act, and the provisions of subsections (a)  
1634 and (b) of this section relating to reimbursement percentages, provided  
1635 the reimbursement for transportation costs to a school furnishing  
1636 vocational agricultural training shall not exceed an amount equal to  
1637 such reimbursement of the costs of transporting such pupils to the  
1638 school furnishing a full program of vocational agricultural training  
1639 nearest to the sending school district at the time of the pupil's initial  
1640 enrollment in the program. Application for such reimbursement shall

1641 be made by the board of education to the State Board of Education at  
1642 such time and in such manner as said state board prescribes. The  
1643 provisions of this section shall apply to a veteran who served in time of  
1644 war, as defined by section 27-103, without regard to age or whether or  
1645 not such veteran resides with a parent or guardian provided such  
1646 veteran is attending a state or state-approved vocational secondary  
1647 school.

1648 (d) The parents or guardian of any student or any veteran over  
1649 twenty-one who is denied the reasonable and necessary transportation  
1650 required in this section may appeal such lack of transportation in the  
1651 same manner as is provided in sections 10-186 and 10-187, as amended  
1652 by this act.

1653 (e) For purposes of this section, a local or regional board of  
1654 education shall not be required to expend for transporting a student to  
1655 a technical [high] education and career school or an agricultural  
1656 science and technology education center an amount greater than six  
1657 thousand dollars, except that a board of education shall continue to  
1658 pay the reasonable and necessary costs of transporting a student who  
1659 is enrolled in such a school or center on July 1, 1996, until such student  
1660 completes the program at such school or center.

1661 Sec. 68. Section 10-97a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1662 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1663 On or before July 15, 2010, and annually thereafter, the State Board  
1664 of Education shall arrange for the inspection, in accordance with the  
1665 provisions of section 14-282a, of those school buses, as defined in  
1666 section 14-275, in operation in the [technical high school system]  
1667 Technical Education and Career System.

1668 Sec. 69. Section 10-97b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1669 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1670 (a) On and after July 1, 2010, the State Board of Education shall  
1671 replace any school bus that (1) is twelve years or older and is in service

1672 at any technical [high] education and career school, or (2) has been  
1673 subject to an out-of-service order, as defined in section 14-1, for two  
1674 consecutive years for the same reason.

1675 (b) On or before July 1, 2011, and annually thereafter, the  
1676 superintendent of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1677 Education and Career System shall submit, in accordance with the  
1678 provisions of section 11-4a, to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
1679 Management and to the joint standing committees of the General  
1680 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and  
1681 finance, revenue and bonding a report on the replacement of school  
1682 buses in service in the [technical high school system] Technical  
1683 Education and Career System, pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
1684 section. Such report shall include the number of school buses replaced  
1685 in the previous school year and a projection of the number of school  
1686 buses anticipated to be replaced in the upcoming school year.

1687 Sec. 70. Section 10-98a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1688 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1689 The director of each technical [high] education and career school  
1690 shall meet with members of the business community within the  
1691 geographic area served by the technical [high] education and career  
1692 school to develop a plan to assess workforce needs and implement  
1693 curriculum modifications to address those needs.

1694 Sec. 71. Subsection (a) of section 10-186 of the general statutes is  
1695 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1696 *1, 2017*):

1697 (a) Each local or regional board of education shall furnish, by  
1698 transportation or otherwise, school accommodations so that each child  
1699 five years of age and over and under twenty-one years of age who is  
1700 not a graduate of a high school or technical [high] education and career  
1701 school may attend public school, except as provided in section 10-233c  
1702 and subsection (d) of section 10-233d, as amended by this act. Any  
1703 board of education which denies school accommodations, including a

1704 denial based on an issue of residency, to any such child shall inform  
1705 the parent or guardian of such child or the child, in the case of an  
1706 emancipated minor or a pupil eighteen years of age or older, of his  
1707 right to request a hearing by the board of education in accordance with  
1708 the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section. A  
1709 board of education which has denied school accommodations shall  
1710 advise the board of education under whose jurisdiction it claims such  
1711 child should be attending school of the denial. For purposes of this  
1712 section, (1) a "parent or guardian" shall include a surrogate parent  
1713 appointed pursuant to section 10-94g, and (2) a child residing in a  
1714 dwelling located in more than one town in this state shall be  
1715 considered a resident of each town in which the dwelling is located  
1716 and may attend school in any one of such towns. For purposes of this  
1717 subsection, "dwelling" means a single, two or three-family house or a  
1718 condominium unit.

1719 Sec. 72. Section 10-215b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1720 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1721 (a) The State Board of Education is authorized to expend in each  
1722 fiscal year an amount equal to (1) the money required pursuant to the  
1723 matching requirements of said federal laws and shall disburse the  
1724 same in accordance with said laws, and (2) ten cents per lunch served  
1725 in the prior school year in accordance with said laws by any local or  
1726 regional board of education, the [technical high school system]  
1727 Technical Education and Career System or governing authority of a  
1728 state charter school, interdistrict magnet school or endowed academy  
1729 approved pursuant to section 10-34 that participates in the National  
1730 School Lunch Program and certifies pursuant to section 10-215f, as  
1731 amended by this act, that the nutrition standards established by the  
1732 Department of Education pursuant to section 10-215e shall be met.

1733 (b) The State Board of Education shall prescribe the manner and  
1734 time of application by such board of education, the [technical high  
1735 school system] Technical Education and Career System, such  
1736 governing authority or controlling authority of the nonpublic schools

1737 for such funds, provided such application shall include the  
1738 certification that any funds received pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
1739 section shall be used for the program approved. The State Board of  
1740 Education shall determine the eligibility of the applicant to receive  
1741 such grants pursuant to regulations provided in subsection (c) of this  
1742 section and shall certify to the Comptroller the amount of the grant for  
1743 which the board of education, the [technical high school system]  
1744 Technical Education and Career System, the governing authority or the  
1745 controlling authority of a nonpublic school is eligible. Upon receipt of  
1746 such certification, the Comptroller shall draw an order on the  
1747 Treasurer in the amount, at the time and to the payee so certified.

1748 (c) The State Board of Education may adopt such regulations as may  
1749 be necessary in implementing sections 10-215 to 10-215b, inclusive, as  
1750 amended by this act.

1751 (d) The Commissioner of Education shall establish a procedure for  
1752 monitoring compliance by boards of education, the [technical high  
1753 school system] Technical Education and Career System, or governing  
1754 authorities with certifications submitted in accordance with section 10-  
1755 215f, as amended by this act, and may adjust grant amounts pursuant  
1756 to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section based on failure to  
1757 comply with said certification.

1758 Sec. 73. Section 10-215f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1759 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1760 (a) Each local and regional board of education, the [technical high  
1761 school system] Technical Education and Career System, and the  
1762 governing authority for each state charter school, interdistrict magnet  
1763 school and endowed academy approved pursuant to section 10-34 that  
1764 participates in the National School Lunch Program shall certify in its  
1765 annual application to the Department of Education for school lunch  
1766 funding whether, during the school year for which such application is  
1767 submitted, all food items made available for sale to students in schools  
1768 under its jurisdiction and not exempted from the nutrition standards

1769 published by the Department of Education pursuant to section 10-215e  
1770 will meet said standards. Except as otherwise provided in subsection  
1771 (b) of this section, such certification shall include food not exempted  
1772 from said nutrition standards and offered for sale to students at all  
1773 times, and from all sources, including, but not limited to, school stores,  
1774 vending machines, school cafeterias, and any fundraising activities on  
1775 school premises, whether or not school sponsored.

1776 (b) Each board of education, the [technical high school system]  
1777 Technical Education and Career System and each governing authority  
1778 that certifies pursuant to this section compliance with the department's  
1779 nutrition standards for food may exclude from such certification the  
1780 sale to students of food items that do not meet such standards,  
1781 provided (1) such sale is in connection with an event occurring after  
1782 the end of the regular school day or on the weekend, (2) such sale is at  
1783 the location of such event, and (3) such food is not sold from a vending  
1784 machine or school store.

1785 Sec. 74. Section 10-220d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1786 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1787 Each local and regional board of education shall provide full access  
1788 to technical [high] education and career schools, regional agricultural  
1789 science and technology education centers, interdistrict magnet schools,  
1790 charter schools and interdistrict student attendance programs for the  
1791 recruitment of students attending the schools under the board's  
1792 jurisdiction, provided such recruitment is not for the purpose of  
1793 interscholastic athletic competition. Each local and regional board of  
1794 education shall provide information relating to technical [high]  
1795 education and career schools, regional agricultural science and  
1796 technology education centers, interdistrict magnet schools, charter  
1797 schools, alternative high schools and interdistrict student attendance  
1798 programs on the board's web site. Each local and regional board of  
1799 education shall inform students and parents of students in middle and  
1800 high schools within such board's jurisdiction of the availability of (1)  
1801 vocational, technical, [and] technological and postsecondary education



1802 and training at technical [high] education and career schools, and (2)  
1803 agricultural science and technology education at regional agricultural  
1804 science and technology education centers.

1805 Sec. 75. Subsection (e) of section 10-233d of the general statutes is  
1806 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1807 *1, 2017*):

1808 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (d) of this section  
1809 concerning the provision of an alternative educational opportunity for  
1810 pupils between the ages of sixteen and eighteen, local and regional  
1811 boards of education shall not be required to offer such alternative to  
1812 any pupil between the ages of sixteen and eighteen who is expelled  
1813 because of conduct which endangers persons if it is determined at the  
1814 expulsion hearing that the conduct for which the pupil is expelled  
1815 involved (1) possession of a firearm, as defined in 18 USC 921, as  
1816 amended from time to time, or deadly weapon, dangerous instrument  
1817 or martial arts weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, on school property  
1818 or at a school-sponsored activity, or (2) offering for sale or distribution  
1819 on school property or at a school-sponsored activity a controlled  
1820 substance, as defined in subdivision (9) of section 21a-240, whose  
1821 manufacture, distribution, sale, prescription, dispensing, transporting  
1822 or possessing with the intent to sell or dispense, offering, or  
1823 administration is subject to criminal penalties under sections 21a-277  
1824 and 21a-278. If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for  
1825 possession of a firearm or deadly weapon the board of education shall  
1826 report the violation to the local police department or in the case of a  
1827 student enrolled in a technical [high] education and career school to  
1828 the state police. If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for the  
1829 sale or distribution of such a controlled substance, the board of  
1830 education shall refer the pupil to an appropriate state or local agency  
1831 for rehabilitation, intervention or job training, or any combination  
1832 thereof, and inform the agency of its action. Whenever a local or  
1833 regional board of education notifies a pupil between the ages of sixteen  
1834 and eighteen or the parents or guardian of such pupil that an  
1835 expulsion hearing will be held, the notification shall include a

1836 statement that the board of education is not required to offer an  
1837 alternative educational opportunity to any pupil who is found to have  
1838 engaged in the conduct described in this subsection.

1839 Sec. 76. Section 10-233d of the general statutes, as amended by  
1840 section 12 of public act 16-147, is repealed and the following is  
1841 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective August 15, 2017*):

1842 (a) (1) Any local or regional board of education, at a meeting at  
1843 which three or more members of such board are present, or the  
1844 impartial hearing board established pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
1845 section, may expel, subject to the provisions of this subsection, any  
1846 pupil in grades three to twelve, inclusive, whose conduct on school  
1847 grounds or at a school-sponsored activity is violative of a publicized  
1848 policy of such board or is seriously disruptive of the educational  
1849 process or endangers persons or property or whose conduct off school  
1850 grounds is violative of such policy and is seriously disruptive of the  
1851 educational process, provided a majority of the board members sitting  
1852 in the expulsion hearing vote to expel and that at least three  
1853 affirmative votes for expulsion are cast. In making a determination as  
1854 to whether conduct is seriously disruptive of the educational process,  
1855 the board of education or impartial hearing board may consider, but  
1856 such consideration shall not be limited to: (A) Whether the incident  
1857 occurred within close proximity of a school; (B) whether other students  
1858 from the school were involved or whether there was any gang  
1859 involvement; (C) whether the conduct involved violence, threats of  
1860 violence or the unlawful use of a weapon, as defined in section 29-38,  
1861 and whether any injuries occurred; and (D) whether the conduct  
1862 involved the use of alcohol.

1863 (2) Expulsion proceedings pursuant to this section, except as  
1864 provided in subsection (i) of this section, shall be required for any  
1865 pupil in grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, whenever there is  
1866 reason to believe that any pupil (A) on school grounds or at a school-  
1867 sponsored activity, was in possession of a firearm, as defined in 18  
1868 USC 921, as amended from time to time, or deadly weapon, dangerous

1869 instrument or martial arts weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, (B) off  
1870 school grounds, did possess such a firearm in violation of section 29-35  
1871 or did possess and use such a firearm, instrument or weapon in the  
1872 commission of a crime under chapter 952, or (C) on or off school  
1873 grounds, offered for sale or distribution a controlled substance, as  
1874 defined in subdivision (9) of section 21a-240, whose manufacture,  
1875 distribution, sale, prescription, dispensing, transporting or possessing  
1876 with intent to sell or dispense, offering, or administering is subject to  
1877 criminal penalties under sections 21a-277 and 21a-278. Such a pupil  
1878 shall be expelled for one calendar year if the local or regional board of  
1879 education or impartial hearing board finds that the pupil did so  
1880 possess or so possess and use, as appropriate, such a firearm,  
1881 instrument or weapon or did so offer for sale or distribution such a  
1882 controlled substance, provided the board of education or the hearing  
1883 board may modify the period of expulsion for a pupil on a case-by-  
1884 case basis, and as provided for in subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of  
1885 this section.

1886 (3) Unless an emergency exists, no pupil shall be expelled without a  
1887 formal hearing held pursuant to sections 4-176e to 4-180a, inclusive,  
1888 and section 4-181a, provided whenever such pupil is a minor, the  
1889 notice required by section 4-177 and section 4-180 shall also be given to  
1890 the parents or guardian of the pupil at least five business days before  
1891 such hearing. If an emergency exists, such hearing shall be held as  
1892 soon after the expulsion as possible. The notice shall include  
1893 information concerning the parent's or guardian's and the pupil's legal  
1894 rights and concerning legal services provided free of charge or at a  
1895 reduced rate that are available locally and how to access such services.  
1896 An attorney or other advocate may represent any pupil subject to  
1897 expulsion proceedings. The parent or guardian of the pupil shall have  
1898 the right to have the expulsion hearing postponed for up to one week  
1899 to allow time to obtain representation, except that if an emergency  
1900 exists, such hearing shall be held as soon after the expulsion as  
1901 possible.

1902 (b) For purposes of conducting expulsion hearings as required by

1903 subsection (a) of this section, any local or regional board of education  
1904 or any two or more of such boards in cooperation may establish an  
1905 impartial hearing board of one or more persons. No member of any  
1906 such board or boards shall be a member of the hearing board. The  
1907 hearing board shall have the authority to conduct the expulsion  
1908 hearing and render a final decision in accordance with the provisions  
1909 of sections 4-176e to 4-180a, inclusive, and section 4-181a.

1910 (c) (1) In determining the length of an expulsion and the nature of  
1911 the alternative educational opportunity to be offered under subsection  
1912 (d) of this section, the local or regional board of education, or the  
1913 impartial hearing board established pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
1914 section, may receive and consider evidence of past disciplinary  
1915 problems that have led to removal from a classroom, suspension or  
1916 expulsion of such pupil.

1917 (2) For any pupil expelled for the first time pursuant to this section  
1918 and who has never been suspended pursuant to section 10-233c, except  
1919 for a pupil who has been expelled based on possession of a firearm or  
1920 deadly weapon as described in subsection (a) of this section, the local  
1921 or regional board of education may shorten the length of or waive the  
1922 expulsion period if the pupil successfully completes a board-specified  
1923 program and meets any other conditions required by the board. Such  
1924 board-specified program shall not require the pupil or the parent or  
1925 guardian of the pupil to pay for participation in the program.

1926 (d) Any pupil under sixteen years of age who is expelled shall be  
1927 offered an alternative educational opportunity, which shall be  
1928 equivalent to alternative education, as defined by section 10-74j, with  
1929 an individualized learning plan, during the period of expulsion,  
1930 provided any parent or guardian of such pupil who does not choose to  
1931 have his or her child enrolled in an alternative educational program  
1932 shall not be subject to the provisions of section 10-184. Any pupil  
1933 expelled for the first time who is between the ages of sixteen and  
1934 eighteen and who wishes to continue his or her education shall be  
1935 offered such an alternative educational opportunity if he or she

1936 complies with conditions established by his or her local or regional  
1937 board of education. Such alternative educational opportunity may  
1938 include, but shall not be limited to, the placement of a pupil who is at  
1939 least seventeen years of age in an adult education program pursuant to  
1940 section 10-69, as amended by this act. Any pupil participating in an  
1941 adult education program during a period of expulsion shall not be  
1942 required to withdraw from school under section 10-184. A local or  
1943 regional board of education shall count the expulsion of a pupil when  
1944 he was under sixteen years of age for purposes of determining whether  
1945 an alternative educational opportunity is required for such pupil when  
1946 he is between the ages of sixteen and eighteen. A local or regional  
1947 board of education may offer an alternative educational opportunity to  
1948 a pupil for whom such alternative educational opportunity is not  
1949 required pursuant to this section.

1950 (e) If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for possession of a  
1951 firearm, as defined in 18 USC 921, as amended from time to time, or  
1952 deadly weapon, dangerous instrument or martial arts weapon, as  
1953 defined in section 53a-3, the board of education shall report the  
1954 violation to the local police department or in the case of a student  
1955 enrolled in a technical [high] education and career school to the state  
1956 police. If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for the sale or  
1957 distribution of a controlled substance, as defined in subdivision (9) of  
1958 section 21a-240, whose manufacture, distribution, sale, prescription,  
1959 dispensing, transporting or possessing with the intent to sell or  
1960 dispense, offering, or administration is subject to criminal penalties  
1961 under sections 21a-277 and 21a-278, the board of education shall refer  
1962 the pupil to an appropriate state or local agency for rehabilitation,  
1963 intervention or job training, or any combination thereof, and inform  
1964 the agency of its action.

1965 (f) Whenever a pupil is expelled pursuant to the provisions of this  
1966 section, notice of the expulsion and the conduct for which the pupil  
1967 was expelled shall be included on the pupil's cumulative educational  
1968 record. Such notice, except for notice of an expulsion of a pupil in  
1969 grades nine to twelve, inclusive, based on possession of a firearm or

1970 deadly weapon as described in subsection (a) of this section, (1) shall  
1971 be expunged from the cumulative educational record by the local or  
1972 regional board of education if a pupil graduates from high school, or  
1973 (2) may be expunged from the cumulative educational record by the  
1974 local or regional board of education before a pupil graduates from  
1975 high school if (A) in the case of a pupil for which the length of the  
1976 expulsion period is shortened or the expulsion period is waived  
1977 pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section, such board  
1978 determines that an expungement is warranted at the time such pupil  
1979 completes the board-specified program and meets any other  
1980 conditions required by such board pursuant to subdivision (2) of  
1981 subsection (c) of this section, or (B) such pupil has demonstrated to  
1982 such board that the conduct and behavior of such pupil in the years  
1983 following such expulsion warrants an expungement. A local or  
1984 regional board of education, in determining whether to expunge such  
1985 notice under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, may receive and  
1986 consider evidence of any subsequent disciplinary problems that have  
1987 led to removal from a classroom, suspension or expulsion of such  
1988 pupil.

1989 (g) A local or regional board of education may adopt the decision of  
1990 a pupil expulsion hearing conducted by another school district  
1991 provided such local or regional board of education or impartial  
1992 hearing board shall hold a hearing pursuant to the provisions of  
1993 subsection (a) of this section which shall be limited to a determination  
1994 of whether the conduct which was the basis for the expulsion would  
1995 also warrant expulsion under the policies of such board. The pupil  
1996 shall be excluded from school pending such hearing. The excluded  
1997 student shall be offered an alternative educational opportunity in  
1998 accordance with the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) of this  
1999 section.

2000 (h) Whenever a pupil against whom an expulsion hearing is  
2001 pending withdraws from school after notification of such hearing but  
2002 before the hearing is completed and a decision rendered pursuant to  
2003 this section, (1) notice of the pending expulsion hearing shall be

2004 included on the pupil's cumulative educational record, and (2) the  
2005 local or regional board of education or impartial hearing board shall  
2006 complete the expulsion hearing and render a decision. If such pupil  
2007 enrolls in school in another school district, such pupil shall not be  
2008 excluded from school in the other district pending completion of the  
2009 expulsion hearing pursuant to this subsection unless an emergency  
2010 exists, provided nothing in this subsection shall limit the authority of  
2011 the local or regional board of education for such district to suspend the  
2012 pupil or to conduct its own expulsion hearing in accordance with this  
2013 section.

2014 (i) Prior to conducting an expulsion hearing for a child requiring  
2015 special education and related services described in subparagraph (A)  
2016 of subdivision (5) of section 10-76a, a planning and placement team  
2017 shall convene to determine whether the misconduct was caused by the  
2018 child's disability. If it is determined that the misconduct was caused by  
2019 the child's disability, the child shall not be expelled. The planning and  
2020 placement team shall reevaluate the child for the purpose of modifying  
2021 the child's individualized education program to address the  
2022 misconduct and to ensure the safety of other children and staff in the  
2023 school. If it is determined that the misconduct was not caused by the  
2024 child's disability, the child may be expelled in accordance with the  
2025 provisions of this section applicable to children who do not require  
2026 special education and related services. Notwithstanding the provisions  
2027 of subsections (d) and (e) of this section, whenever a child requiring  
2028 such special education and related services is expelled, an alternative  
2029 educational opportunity, consistent with such child's educational  
2030 needs shall be provided during the period of expulsion.

2031 (j) An expelled pupil may apply for early readmission to school.  
2032 Except as provided in this subsection, such readmission shall be at the  
2033 discretion of the local or regional board of education. The board of  
2034 education may delegate authority for readmission decisions to the  
2035 superintendent of schools for the school district. If the board delegates  
2036 such authority, readmission shall be at the discretion of the  
2037 superintendent. Readmission decisions shall not be subject to appeal to

2038 Superior Court. The board or superintendent, as appropriate, may  
2039 condition such readmission on specified criteria.

2040 (k) Local and regional boards of education shall submit to the  
2041 Commissioner of Education such information on expulsions for the  
2042 possession of weapons as required for purposes of the Gun-Free  
2043 Schools Act of 1994, 20 USC 8921 et seq., as amended from time to  
2044 time.

2045 (l) (1) Any student who commits an expellable offense and is  
2046 subsequently committed to a juvenile detention center, the Connecticut  
2047 Juvenile Training School or any other residential placement for such  
2048 offense may be expelled by a local or regional board of education in  
2049 accordance with the provisions of this section. The period of expulsion  
2050 shall run concurrently with the period of commitment to a juvenile  
2051 detention center, the Connecticut Juvenile Training School or any other  
2052 residential placement.

2053 (2) If a student who committed an expellable offense seeks to return  
2054 to a school district after participating in a diversionary program or  
2055 having been detained in a juvenile detention center, the Connecticut  
2056 Juvenile Training School or any other residential placement and such  
2057 student has not been expelled by the local or regional board of  
2058 education for such offense under subdivision (1) of this subsection, the  
2059 local or regional board of education for the school district to which the  
2060 student is returning shall allow such student to return and may not  
2061 expel the student for additional time for such offense.

2062 Sec. 77. Subsection (a) of section 10-235 of the general statutes is  
2063 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2064 *1, 2017*):

2065 (a) Each board of education shall protect and save harmless any  
2066 member of such board or any teacher or other employee thereof or any  
2067 member of its supervisory or administrative staff, and the State Board  
2068 of Education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the board of  
2069 trustees of each state institution and each state agency which employs



any teacher, and the managing board of any public school, as defined in section 10-183b, including the governing council of any charter school, shall protect and save harmless any member of such boards, or any teacher or other employee thereof or any member of its supervisory or administrative staff employed by it, from financial loss and expense, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or other act resulting in accidental bodily injury to or death of any person, or in accidental damage to or destruction of property, within or without the school building, or any other acts, including but not limited to infringement of any person's civil rights, resulting in any injury, which acts are not wanton, reckless or malicious, provided such teacher, member or employee, at the time of the acts resulting in such injury, damage or destruction, was acting in the discharge of his or her duties or within the scope of employment or under the direction of such board of education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, board of trustees, state agency, department or managing board; provided that the provisions of this section shall not limit or otherwise affect application of section 4-165 concerning immunity from personal liability. For the purposes of this section, the terms "teacher" and "other employee" shall include (1) any person who is a cooperating teacher pursuant to section 10-220a, teacher mentor or reviewer, (2) any student teacher doing practice teaching under the direction of a teacher employed by a local or regional board of education or by the State Board of Education or Board of Regents for Higher Education, (3) any student enrolled in a technical [high] education and career school who is engaged in a supervised health-related field placement program which constitutes all or part of a course of instruction for credit by a technical [high] education and career school, provided such health-related field placement program is part of the curriculum of such technical [high] education and career school, and provided further such course is a requirement for graduation or professional licensure or certification, (4) any volunteer approved by a board of education to carry out a duty prescribed by said board and under the direction of a certificated staff member including any person, partnership, limited

2105 liability company or corporation providing students with community-  
2106 based career education, (5) any volunteer approved by a board of  
2107 education to carry out the duties of a school bus safety monitor as  
2108 prescribed by said board, (6) any member of the faculty or staff or any  
2109 student employed by The University of Connecticut Health Center or  
2110 health services, (7) any student enrolled in a constituent unit of the  
2111 state system of higher education who is engaged in a supervised  
2112 program of field work or clinical practice which constitutes all or part  
2113 of a course of instruction for credit by a constituent unit, provided  
2114 such course of instruction is part of the curriculum of a constituent  
2115 unit, and provided further such course (i) is a requirement for an  
2116 academic degree or professional licensure or (ii) is offered by the  
2117 constituent unit in partial fulfillment of its accreditation obligations,  
2118 and (8) any student enrolled in a constituent unit of the state system of  
2119 higher education who is acting in the capacity of a member of a  
2120 student discipline committee established pursuant to section 4-188a.

2121 Sec. 78. Subsection (d) of section 10-262n of the general statutes is  
2122 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2123 *1, 2017*):

2124 (d) (1) Each school district shall be eligible to receive a minimum  
2125 grant under the program as follows: (A) Each school district in towns  
2126 ranked from one to one hundred thirteen, inclusive, when all towns  
2127 are ranked in ascending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine  
2128 based on town wealth, as defined in subdivision (26) of section 10-262f,  
2129 shall be eligible to receive a minimum grant in the amount of thirty  
2130 thousand dollars, and (B) each school district in towns ranked from  
2131 one hundred fourteen to one hundred sixty-nine, inclusive, when all  
2132 towns are ranked in ascending order from one to one hundred sixty-  
2133 nine based on town wealth, as defined in subdivision (26) of section  
2134 10-262f, shall be eligible to receive a minimum grant under the  
2135 program in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars. Such minimum  
2136 grant may be increased for certain school districts pursuant to  
2137 subdivision (4) of this subsection. (2) The department shall use (A) one  
2138 hundred thousand dollars of the amount appropriated for purposes of

2139 this section for the [technical high schools] Technical Education and  
2140 Career System for wiring and other technology initiatives at such  
2141 schools, and (B) fifty thousand dollars of the amount appropriated for  
2142 purposes of this section for technology grants to state charter schools.  
2143 The amount of the grant each state charter school receives shall be  
2144 based on the number of students enrolled in the school. (3) The  
2145 department may retain up to one per cent of the amount appropriated  
2146 for purposes of this section for coordination, program evaluation and  
2147 administration. (4) Any remaining appropriated funds shall be used to  
2148 increase the grants to (A) priority school districts pursuant to section  
2149 10-266p, (B) transitional school districts pursuant to section 10-263c,  
2150 and (C) school districts in towns ranked from one to eighty-five,  
2151 inclusive, when all towns are ranked in ascending order from one to  
2152 one hundred sixty-nine based on town wealth, as defined in section 10-  
2153 262f. Each such school district shall receive an amount based on the  
2154 ratio of the number of resident students, as defined in said section 10-  
2155 262f, in such school district to the total number of resident students in  
2156 all such school districts.

2157 Sec. 79. Section 10-262s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2158 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2159 The Commissioner of Education may, to assist the state in meeting  
2160 the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.  
2161 William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013  
2162 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
2163 as extended, transfer funds appropriated for the Sheff settlement to the  
2164 following: (1) Grants for interdistrict cooperative programs pursuant  
2165 to section 10-74d, as amended by this act, (2) grants for state charter  
2166 schools pursuant to section 10-66ee, (3) grants for the interdistrict  
2167 public school attendance program pursuant to section 10-266aa, (4)  
2168 grants for interdistrict magnet schools pursuant to section 10-264l, as  
2169 amended by this act, and (5) to [technical high schools] the Technical  
2170 Education and Career System for programming.

2171 Sec. 80. Subsection (a) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is

2172 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2173 *1, 2017*):

2174 (a) The Department of Education shall, within available  
2175 appropriations, establish a grant program (1) to assist (A) local and  
2176 regional boards of education, (B) regional educational service centers,  
2177 (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on  
2178 behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers  
2179 Community College, and (D) cooperative arrangements pursuant to  
2180 section 10-158a, and (2) in assisting the state in meeting the goals of the  
2181 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et  
2182 al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo  
2183 Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by  
2184 the Commissioner of Education, to assist (A) the Board of Trustees of  
2185 the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-  
2186 technical college, (B) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State  
2187 University System on behalf of a state university, (C) the Board of  
2188 Trustees of The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university,  
2189 (D) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher  
2190 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the  
2191 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of  
2192 higher education, and (E) any other third-party not-for-profit  
2193 corporation approved by the commissioner with the operation of  
2194 interdistrict magnet school programs. All interdistrict magnet schools  
2195 shall be operated in conformance with the same laws and regulations  
2196 applicable to public schools. For the purposes of this section "an  
2197 interdistrict magnet school program" means a program which (i)  
2198 supports racial, ethnic and economic diversity, (ii) offers a special and  
2199 high quality curriculum, and (iii) requires students who are enrolled to  
2200 attend at least half-time. An interdistrict magnet school program does  
2201 not include a regional agricultural science and technology school, a  
2202 technical [high] education and career school or a regional special  
2203 education center. On and after July 1, 2000, the governing authority for  
2204 each interdistrict magnet school program that is in operation prior to  
2205 July 1, 2005, shall restrict the number of students that may enroll in the

2206 program from a participating district to eighty per cent of the total  
2207 enrollment of the program. The governing authority for each  
2208 interdistrict magnet school program that begins operations on or after  
2209 July 1, 2005, shall restrict the number of students that may enroll in the  
2210 program from a participating district to seventy-five per cent of the  
2211 total enrollment of the program, and maintain such a school  
2212 enrollment that at least twenty-five per cent but not more than  
2213 seventy-five per cent of the students enrolled are pupils of racial  
2214 minorities, as defined in section 10-226a. The governing authority of an  
2215 interdistrict magnet school that the commissioner determines will  
2216 assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order  
2217 for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the  
2218 goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William  
2219 A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, shall restrict the number of students that  
2220 may enroll in the program from a participating district in accordance  
2221 with the provisions of this subsection, provided such enrollment is in  
2222 accordance with the reduced-isolation setting standards of such 2013  
2223 stipulation and order.

2224 Sec. 81. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 10-266m of the  
2225 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2226 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2227 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the  
2228 Commissioner of Education may provide grants, within available  
2229 appropriations, in an amount not to exceed two thousand dollars per  
2230 pupil, to local and regional boards of education and regional  
2231 educational service centers that transport (A) out-of-district students to  
2232 a technical [high schools] education and career school located in  
2233 Hartford, or (B) Hartford students attending a technical [high]  
2234 education and career school or a regional agricultural science and  
2235 technology education center outside of the district, to assist the state in  
2236 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.  
2237 v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013  
2238 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
2239 as extended, as determined by the commissioner, for the costs

2240 associated with such transportation.

2241 Sec. 82. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the  
2242 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2243 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2244 (2) The Commissioner of Education shall assign each school  
2245 building project to a category on the basis of whether such project is  
2246 primarily required to: (A) Create new facilities or alter existing  
2247 facilities to provide for mandatory instructional programs pursuant to  
2248 this chapter, for physical education facilities in compliance with Title  
2249 IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972 where such  
2250 programs or such compliance cannot be provided within existing  
2251 facilities or for the correction of code violations which cannot be  
2252 reasonably addressed within existing program space; (B) create new  
2253 facilities or alter existing facilities to enhance mandatory instructional  
2254 programs pursuant to this chapter or provide comparable facilities  
2255 among schools to all students at the same grade level or levels within  
2256 the school district unless such project is otherwise explicitly included  
2257 in another category pursuant to this section; and (C) create new  
2258 facilities or alter existing facilities to provide supportive services,  
2259 provided in no event shall such supportive services include swimming  
2260 pools, auditoriums, outdoor athletic facilities, tennis courts,  
2261 elementary school playgrounds, site improvement or garages or  
2262 storage, parking or general recreation areas. All applications submitted  
2263 prior to July first shall be reviewed promptly by the Commissioner of  
2264 Administrative Services. The Commissioner of Administrative Services  
2265 shall estimate the amount of the grant for which such project is  
2266 eligible, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-285a, provided  
2267 an application for a school building project determined by the  
2268 Commissioner of Education to be a project that will assist the state in  
2269 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.  
2270 v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013  
2271 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
2272 as extended, shall have until September first to submit an application  
2273 for such a project and may have until December first of the same year

2274 to secure and report all local and state approvals required to complete  
2275 the grant application. The Commissioner of Administrative Services  
2276 shall annually prepare a listing of all such eligible school building  
2277 projects listed by category together with the amount of the estimated  
2278 grants for such projects and shall submit the same to the Governor, the  
2279 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the General  
2280 Assembly on or before the fifteenth day of December, except as  
2281 provided in section 10-283a, with a request for authorization to enter  
2282 into grant commitments. On or before December thirty-first annually,  
2283 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit  
2284 comments and recommendations regarding each eligible project on  
2285 such listing of eligible school building projects to the school  
2286 construction committee, established pursuant to section 10-283a. Each  
2287 such listing submitted after December 15, 2005, until December 15,  
2288 2010, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of authorized projects  
2289 which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by the  
2290 Commissioner of Education once, and a separate schedule of  
2291 authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree  
2292 determined by said commissioner twice. Any such listing submitted  
2293 after December 15, 2010, until December 15, 2011, inclusive, shall  
2294 include a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed  
2295 in scope or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of  
2296 Administrative Services once, and a separate schedule of authorized  
2297 projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined  
2298 by said commissioner twice. For the period beginning July 1, 2011, and  
2299 ending December 31, 2013, each such listing shall include a report on  
2300 the review conducted by the Commissioner of Education of the  
2301 enrollment projections for each such eligible project. On and after  
2302 January 1, 2014, each such listing shall include a report on the review  
2303 conducted by the Commissioner of Administrative Services of the  
2304 enrollment projections for each such eligible project. For the period  
2305 beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2012, no project, other than  
2306 a project for a technical [high] education and career school, may  
2307 appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which have  
2308 changed in cost more than twice. On and after July 1, 2012, no project,

2309 other than a project for a technical [high] education and career school,  
2310 may appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which  
2311 have changed in cost more than once, except the Commissioner of  
2312 Administrative Services may allow a project to appear on such  
2313 separate schedule of authorized projects a second time if the town or  
2314 regional school district for such project can demonstrate that exigent  
2315 circumstances require such project to appear a second time on such  
2316 separate schedule of authorized projects. Notwithstanding any  
2317 provision of this chapter, no projects which have changed in scope or  
2318 cost to the degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative  
2319 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, shall be  
2320 eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such  
2321 list. The percentage determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the time  
2322 a school building project on such schedule was originally authorized  
2323 shall be used for purposes of the grant for such project. On and after  
2324 July 1, 2006, a project that was not previously authorized as an  
2325 interdistrict magnet school shall not receive a higher percentage for  
2326 reimbursement than that determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the  
2327 time a school building project on such schedule was originally  
2328 authorized. The General Assembly shall annually authorize the  
2329 Commissioner of Administrative Services to enter into grant  
2330 commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with the  
2331 commissioner's categorized listing for such projects as the General  
2332 Assembly shall determine. The Commissioner of Administrative  
2333 Services may not enter into any such grant commitments except  
2334 pursuant to such legislative authorization. Any regional school district  
2335 which assumes the responsibility for completion of a public school  
2336 building project shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to subdivision (5)  
2337 or (6), as the case may be, of subsection (a) of section 10-286 when such  
2338 project is completed and accepted by such regional school district.

2339 Sec. 83. Subsection (a) of section 10-283b of the general statutes is  
2340 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2341 *1, 2017*):

2342 (a) On and after July 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Administrative



2343 Services shall include school building projects for the [technical high  
2344 schools] Technical Education and Career System on the list developed  
2345 pursuant to section 10-283, as amended by this act. The adoption of the  
2346 list by the General Assembly and authorization by the State Bond  
2347 Commission of the issuance of bonds pursuant to section 10-287d, as  
2348 amended by this act, shall fund the full cost of the projects. On or after  
2349 July 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in  
2350 consultation with the Commissioner of Education, may approve  
2351 applications for grants to assist school building projects for the  
2352 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
2353 to remedy damage from fire and catastrophe, to correct safety, health  
2354 and other code violations, to replace roofs, to remedy a certified school  
2355 indoor air quality emergency, or to purchase and install portable  
2356 classroom buildings at any time within the limit of available grant  
2357 authorization and to make payments on such a project within the limit  
2358 of appropriated funds, provided portable classroom building projects  
2359 do not create a new facility or cause an existing facility to be modified  
2360 so that the portable buildings comprise a substantial percentage of the  
2361 total facility area, as determined by the Commissioner of  
2362 Administrative Services. Such projects shall be subject to the  
2363 requirements of chapters 59 and 60.

2364 Sec. 84. Subsection (a) of section 10-284 of the general statutes is  
2365 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2366 *1, 2017*):

2367 (a) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall have  
2368 authority to receive and review applications for state grants under this  
2369 chapter, and to approve any such application, or to disapprove any  
2370 such application if (1) it does not comply with the requirements of the  
2371 State Fire Marshal or the Department of Public Health, (2) it is not  
2372 accompanied by a life-cycle cost analysis approved by the  
2373 Commissioner of Administrative Services, (3) it does not comply with  
2374 the provisions of sections 10-290d and 10-291, (4) it does not meet (A)  
2375 the standards or requirements established in regulations adopted in  
2376 accordance with section 10-287c, or (B) school building categorization

2377 requirements described in section 10-283, as amended by this act, (5)  
2378 the estimated construction cost exceeds the per square foot cost for  
2379 schools established in regulations adopted by the Commissioner of  
2380 Administrative Services for the county in which the project is proposed  
2381 to be located, (6) on and after July 1, 2014, the application does not  
2382 comply with the school safety infrastructure criteria developed by the  
2383 School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-292r,  
2384 except the Commissioner of Administrative Services may waive any of  
2385 the provisions of the school safety infrastructure criteria if the  
2386 commissioner determines that the application demonstrates that the  
2387 applicant has made a good faith effort to address such criteria and that  
2388 compliance with such criteria would be infeasible, unreasonable or  
2389 excessively expensive, or (7) the Commissioner of Education  
2390 determines that the proposed educational specifications for or theme  
2391 of the project for which the applicant requests a state grant duplicates a  
2392 program offered by a technical [high] education and career school or  
2393 an interdistrict magnet school in the same region.

2394 Sec. 85. Section 10-287d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2395 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2396 For the purposes of funding (1) grants to projects that have received  
2397 approval of the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
2398 sections 10-287 and 10-287a, subsection (a) of section 10-65 and section  
2399 10-76e, (2) grants to assist school building projects to remedy safety  
2400 and health violations and damage from fire and catastrophe, and (3)  
2401 technical [high] education and career school projects pursuant to  
2402 section 10-283b, as amended by this act, the State Treasurer is  
2403 authorized and directed, subject to and in accordance with the  
2404 provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state from time to time  
2405 in one or more series in an aggregate amount not exceeding eleven  
2406 billion two hundred sixteen million one hundred sixty thousand  
2407 dollars, provided five hundred sixty million dollars of said  
2408 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016. Bonds of each series shall  
2409 bear such date or dates and mature at such time or times not exceeding  
2410 thirty years from their respective dates and be subject to such

2411 redemption privileges, with or without premium, as may be fixed by  
2412 the State Bond Commission. They shall be sold at not less than par and  
2413 accrued interest and the full faith and credit of the state is pledged for  
2414 the payment of the interest thereon and the principal thereof as the  
2415 same shall become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of  
2416 the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts  
2417 necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is  
2418 hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and  
2419 interest as the same become due. The State Treasurer is authorized to  
2420 invest temporarily in direct obligations of the United States, United  
2421 States agency obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper or  
2422 bank acceptances such portion of the proceeds of such bonds or of any  
2423 notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be deemed available for  
2424 such purpose.

2425 Sec. 86. Section 10-357e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2426 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2427 The Commissioner of Education may allocate funds to allow the  
2428 State Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 10-  
2429 357a, to provide professional development services, technical  
2430 assistance and evaluation activities, policy analysis and other forms of  
2431 assistance to local and regional boards of education, the Department of  
2432 Education, state and local charter schools, as defined in section 10-  
2433 66aa, the [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
2434 Career System, established pursuant to section 10-95, as amended by  
2435 this act, providers of school readiness programs, as defined in section  
2436 10-16p, and other educational entities and providers. The State  
2437 Education Resource Center shall expend such funds in accordance  
2438 with procedures and conditions prescribed by the commissioner.

2439 Sec. 87. Subsection (b) of section 10a-25b of the general statutes is  
2440 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2441 *1, 2017*):

2442 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent hereinafter

2443 stated, shall be used to encourage, promote, develop and assist high  
2444 technology products and programs within Connecticut by infusion of  
2445 financial assistance in situations when such financial aid would not  
2446 otherwise reasonably be available from other sources as hereinafter  
2447 stated: (1) For the State Board of Education: High technology  
2448 equipment for programs in the technical [high] education and career  
2449 schools, not exceeding two million dollars; (2) for Connecticut  
2450 Innovations, Incorporated: (A) Matching funds for cooperative high  
2451 technology research and development projects and programs, not  
2452 exceeding nine million dollars; (B) financial aid, as defined in  
2453 subdivision (4) of section 32-34, to public institutions of higher  
2454 education for high technology projects and programs, not exceeding  
2455 eleven million five hundred thousand dollars.

2456 Sec. 88. Section 10a-55e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2457 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2458 Each technical [high] education and career school and public  
2459 institution of higher education shall develop, in such manner as the  
2460 Commissioner of Education and president of the Connecticut State  
2461 Colleges and Universities prescribe, agreements to share equipment  
2462 required for students participating in green jobs certificate or degree  
2463 programs or enrolled in a course of study concerning green jobs,  
2464 including, but not limited to, solar photovoltaic installation.

2465 Sec. 89. Section 10a-55g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2466 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2467 The Board of Regents for Higher Education, in consultation with the  
2468 Department of Education, shall annually prepare and publish on the  
2469 Board of Regents for Higher Education's web site a list of every green  
2470 jobs course and green jobs certificate and degree program offered by  
2471 technical [high] education and career schools and public institutions of  
2472 higher education and an inventory of green jobs related equipment  
2473 used by such technical education and career schools and institutions of  
2474 higher education.

2475 Sec. 90. Section 10a-72d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2476 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2477 The Board of Trustees for the Community-Technical Colleges shall  
2478 establish procedures for (1) the development of articulation  
2479 agreements between the regional community-technical colleges and  
2480 the [technical high schools] Technical Education and Career System in  
2481 order to ensure a successful transition to higher education for students  
2482 attending [the] a technical [high schools] education and career school,  
2483 and (2) the awarding of appropriate college credit for persons enrolled  
2484 in and registered under the terms of a qualified apprenticeship  
2485 training program, certified in accordance with regulations adopted by  
2486 the Labor Commissioner and registered with the Connecticut State  
2487 Apprenticeship Council established under section 31-22n.

2488 Sec. 91. Subsection (b) of section 10a-123 of the general statutes is  
2489 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2490 *1, 2017*):

2491 (b) The purposes, objectives and duties of said center shall be as  
2492 follows: (1) To conduct studies in real estate and urban economics and  
2493 to publish and disseminate the findings and results of such studies; (2)  
2494 to assist the teaching program in real estate offered by The University  
2495 of Connecticut; (3) to supply material to the Connecticut Real Estate  
2496 Commission for the preparation by it of examinations for real estate  
2497 salespersons and brokers, if requested to do so by the commission; (4)  
2498 to develop and from time to time revise and update materials for use  
2499 in the extension courses in real estate offered by The University of  
2500 Connecticut; (5) to assist the Connecticut Real Estate Commission in  
2501 developing standards for the accreditation of technical [high]  
2502 education and career schools and other teaching agencies giving  
2503 courses in the field of real estate and standards for the approval of  
2504 courses in the field of real estate, as and when requested to do so by  
2505 the commission.

2506 Sec. 92. Subsection (a) of section 10a-166 of the general statutes is

2507 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2508 *1, 2017*):

2509 (a) Any child between the ages of sixteen and twenty-three,  
2510 inclusive, of any person who served in the armed forces in time of war,  
2511 as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, and who was killed in  
2512 action or who died as a result of accident or illness sustained while  
2513 performing active military duty with the armed forces of the United  
2514 States or who has been rated totally and permanently disabled by the  
2515 Veterans' Administration of the United States, or who is missing in  
2516 action in Vietnam, if such person was a resident of this state at the time  
2517 of his induction or reenlistment, shall receive, upon application to and  
2518 approval of such application therefor by the Board of Regents for  
2519 Higher Education, state aid for tuition, matriculation fees, board, room  
2520 rent, books and supplies for such child attending any of the following-  
2521 named institutions approved by said board: An educational or training  
2522 institution of college grade or any other institution of higher learning  
2523 or commercial training, a state college, a technical [high] education and  
2524 career school or technical institute or any accredited military  
2525 preparatory school if such beneficiary is preparing to enter the United  
2526 States Military Academy at West Point, the United States Naval  
2527 Academy at Annapolis, the United States Coast Guard Academy at  
2528 New London or the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado  
2529 Springs. The application submitted to the Board of Regents for Higher  
2530 Education shall include an affidavit signed by the applicant which  
2531 states that the applicant has not applied for and will not apply for or  
2532 receive state aid from another state which is similar to that provided  
2533 for in this section. Such grant may be used for the matriculation fees of  
2534 any such beneficiary at any of said United States government  
2535 academies. Such aid shall be based on need and shall not exceed four  
2536 hundred dollars per year for each beneficiary and shall be paid to such  
2537 institution on vouchers approved by the Board of Regents for Higher  
2538 Education.

2539 Sec. 93. Subsection (d) of section 14-36 of the general statutes is  
2540 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

2541 1, 2017):

2542 (d) (1) No motor vehicle operator's license shall be issued to any  
2543 applicant who is sixteen or seventeen years of age unless the applicant  
2544 has held a youth instruction permit and has satisfied the requirements  
2545 specified in this subsection. The applicant shall (A) present to the  
2546 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles a certificate of the successful  
2547 completion (i) in a public secondary school, a [state] technical [high]  
2548 education and career school or a private secondary school of a full  
2549 course of study in motor vehicle operation prepared as provided in  
2550 section 14-36e, (ii) of training of similar nature provided by a licensed  
2551 drivers' school approved by the commissioner, or (iii) of home training  
2552 in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection, including, in each  
2553 case, or by a combination of such types of training, successful  
2554 completion of: Not less than forty clock hours of behind-the-wheel, on-  
2555 the-road instruction for applicants to whom a youth instruction permit  
2556 is issued on or after August 1, 2008; (B) present to the commissioner a  
2557 certificate of the successful completion of a course of not less than eight  
2558 hours relative to safe driving practices, including a minimum of four  
2559 hours on the nature and the medical, biological and physiological  
2560 effects of alcohol and drugs and their impact on the operator of a  
2561 motor vehicle, the dangers associated with the operation of a motor  
2562 vehicle after the consumption of alcohol or drugs by the operator, the  
2563 problems of alcohol and drug abuse and the penalties for alcohol and  
2564 drug-related motor vehicle violations; and (C) pass an examination  
2565 which may include a comprehensive test as to knowledge of the laws  
2566 concerning motor vehicles and the rules of the road in addition to the  
2567 test required under subsection (c) of this section and shall include an  
2568 on-the-road skills test as prescribed by the commissioner. At the time  
2569 of application and examination for a motor vehicle operator's license,  
2570 an applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age shall have held a youth  
2571 instruction permit for not less than one hundred eighty days, except  
2572 that an applicant who presents a certificate under subparagraph (A)(i)  
2573 or subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision shall have held a youth  
2574 instruction permit for not less than one hundred twenty days and an

2575 applicant who is undergoing training and instruction by the driver  
2576 training unit for persons with disabilities in accordance with the  
2577 provisions of section 14-11b shall have held such permit for the period  
2578 of time required by said unit. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles  
2579 shall approve the content of the safe driving instruction at drivers'  
2580 schools, high schools and other secondary schools. Subject to such  
2581 standards and requirements as the commissioner may impose, the  
2582 commissioner may authorize any drivers' school, licensed in good  
2583 standing in accordance with the provisions of section 14-69, or  
2584 secondary school driver education program authorized pursuant to the  
2585 provisions of section 14-36e, to administer the comprehensive test as to  
2586 knowledge of the laws concerning motor vehicles and the rules of the  
2587 road, required pursuant to subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, as  
2588 part of the safe driving practices course required pursuant to  
2589 subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, and to certify to the  
2590 commissioner, under oath, the results of each such test administered.  
2591 Such hours of instruction required by this subdivision shall be  
2592 included as part of or in addition to any existing instruction programs.  
2593 Any fee charged for the course required under subparagraph (B) of  
2594 this subdivision shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars. Any  
2595 applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age who, while a resident of  
2596 another state, completed the course required in subparagraph (A) of  
2597 this subdivision, but did not complete the safe driving course required  
2598 in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, shall complete the safe driving  
2599 course. The commissioner may waive any requirement in this  
2600 subdivision, except for that in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, in  
2601 the case of an applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age who holds a  
2602 valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by any other state,  
2603 provided the commissioner is satisfied that the applicant has received  
2604 training and instruction of a similar nature.

2605 (2) The commissioner may accept as evidence of sufficient training  
2606 under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of this subsection home  
2607 training as evidenced by a written statement signed by the spouse of a  
2608 married minor applicant, or by a parent, grandparent, foster parent or



2609 legal guardian of an applicant which states that the applicant has  
2610 obtained a youth instruction permit and has successfully completed a  
2611 driving course taught by the person signing the statement, that the  
2612 signer has had an operator's license for at least four years preceding  
2613 the date of the statement, and that the signer has not had such license  
2614 suspended by the commissioner for at least four years preceding the  
2615 date of the statement or, if the applicant has no spouse, parent,  
2616 grandparent, foster parent or guardian so qualified and available to  
2617 give the instruction, a statement signed by the applicant's stepparent,  
2618 brother, sister, uncle or aunt, by blood or marriage, provided the  
2619 person signing the statement is qualified.

2620 (3) If the commissioner requires a written test of any applicant  
2621 under this section, the test shall be given in English or Spanish at the  
2622 option of the applicant, provided the commissioner shall require that  
2623 the applicant shall have sufficient understanding of English for the  
2624 interpretation of traffic control signs.

2625 (4) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations, in  
2626 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the  
2627 purposes of this subsection concerning the requirements for behind-  
2628 the-wheel, on-the-road instruction, the content of safe driving  
2629 instruction at drivers' schools, high schools and other secondary  
2630 schools, and the administration and certification of required testing.

2631 Sec. 94. Subsection (a) of section 14-37a of the general statutes is  
2632 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2633 *1, 2017*):

2634 (a) Any person whose operator's license has been suspended  
2635 pursuant to any provision of this chapter or chapter 248, except  
2636 pursuant to section 14-215 for operating under suspension or pursuant  
2637 to section 14-140 for failure to appear for any scheduled court  
2638 appearance, and any person identified in subsection (g) of this section  
2639 may make application to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for (1) a  
2640 special "work" permit to operate a motor vehicle to and from such

2641 person's place of employment or, if such person is not employed at a  
2642 fixed location, to operate a motor vehicle only in connection with, and  
2643 to the extent necessary, to properly perform such person's business or  
2644 profession, (2) a special "education" permit to operate a motor vehicle  
2645 to and from an institution of higher education or a private  
2646 occupational school, as defined in section 10a-22a, in which such  
2647 person is enrolled, provided no such special "education" permit shall  
2648 be issued to any student enrolled in a high school under the  
2649 jurisdiction of a local or regional board of education, a high school  
2650 under the jurisdiction of a regional educational service center, a charter  
2651 school, a regional agricultural science and technology education center  
2652 or a technical [high] education and career school, or (3) a special  
2653 "medical" permit to operate a motor vehicle to and from any ongoing  
2654 medically necessary treatment, available upon adoption by the  
2655 commissioner of regulations pursuant to chapter 54, that describe  
2656 qualifications for such permit. Such application shall be accompanied  
2657 by an application fee of one hundred dollars.

2658 Sec. 95. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a of the  
2659 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2660 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2661 (a) (1) Any mandated reporter, as described in section 17a-101, who  
2662 in the ordinary course of such person's employment or profession has  
2663 reasonable cause to suspect or believe that any child under the age of  
2664 eighteen years (A) has been abused or neglected, as described in  
2665 section 46b-120, (B) has had nonaccidental physical injury, or injury  
2666 which is at variance with the history given of such injury, inflicted  
2667 upon such child, or (C) is placed at imminent risk of serious harm, or  
2668 (2) any school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, who in the  
2669 ordinary course of such person's employment or profession has  
2670 reasonable cause to suspect or believe that any person who is being  
2671 educated by the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
2672 and Career System or a local or regional board of education, other than  
2673 as part of an adult education program, is a victim under the provisions  
2674 of section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, and the

2675 perpetrator is a school employee shall report or cause a report to be  
2676 made in accordance with the provisions of sections 17a-101b to 17a-  
2677 101d, inclusive.

2678 Sec. 96. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 17a-101a of the  
2679 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2680 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2681 (2) Any person who intentionally and unreasonably interferes with  
2682 or prevents the making of a report pursuant to this section, or attempts  
2683 or conspires to do so, shall be guilty of a class D felony. The provisions  
2684 of this subdivision shall not apply to any child under the age of  
2685 eighteen years or any person who is being educated by the [technical  
2686 high school system] Technical Education and Career System or a local  
2687 or regional board of education, other than as part of an adult education  
2688 program.

2689 Sec. 97. Subsection (a) of section 17a-101i of the general statutes is  
2690 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2691 *1, 2017*):

2692 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, not later  
2693 than five working days after an investigation of a report that a child  
2694 has been abused or neglected by a school employee, as defined in  
2695 section 53a-65, or that a person is a victim, as described in subdivision  
2696 (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, of a school employee has been  
2697 completed, the Commissioner of Children and Families shall notify the  
2698 employing superintendent and the Commissioner of Education of the  
2699 results of such investigation and shall provide records, whether or not  
2700 created by the department, concerning such investigation to the  
2701 superintendent and the Commissioner of Education. The  
2702 Commissioner of Children and Families shall provide such notice  
2703 whether or not the child or victim was a student in the employing  
2704 school or school district. If the Commissioner of Children and Families,  
2705 based upon the results of the investigation, has reasonable cause to  
2706 believe that (1) (A) a child has been abused or neglected, as described

2707 in section 46b-120, by such employee, and (B) the commissioner  
2708 recommends such school employee be placed on the child abuse and  
2709 neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k, or (2) a  
2710 person is a victim, as described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of  
2711 section 17a-101a, of such school employee, the superintendent shall  
2712 suspend such school employee. Such suspension shall be with pay and  
2713 shall not result in the diminution or termination of benefits to such  
2714 employee. Not later than seventy-two hours after such suspension the  
2715 superintendent shall notify the local or regional board of education  
2716 and the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's  
2717 representative, of the reasons for and conditions of the suspension. The  
2718 superintendent shall disclose such records to the Commissioner of  
2719 Education and the local or regional board of education or its attorney  
2720 for purposes of review of employment status or the status of such  
2721 employee's certificate, permit or authorization. The suspension of a  
2722 school employee employed in a position requiring a certificate shall  
2723 remain in effect until the board of education acts pursuant to the  
2724 provisions of section 10-151. If the contract of employment of such  
2725 certified school employee is terminated, or such certified school  
2726 employee resigns such employment, the superintendent shall notify  
2727 the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's representative,  
2728 within seventy-two hours after such termination or resignation. Upon  
2729 receipt of such notice from the superintendent, the Commissioner of  
2730 Education may commence certification revocation proceedings  
2731 pursuant to the provisions of subsection (i) of section 10-145b.  
2732 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 1-210 and 1-211,  
2733 information received by the Commissioner of Education, or the  
2734 commissioner's representative, pursuant to this section shall be  
2735 confidential subject to regulations adopted by the State Board of  
2736 Education under section 10-145g. No local or regional board of  
2737 education shall employ a person whose employment contract is  
2738 terminated or who resigned from employment following a suspension  
2739 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection if such person is  
2740 convicted of a crime involving an act of child abuse or neglect as  
2741 described in section 46b-120 or a violation of section 53a-70, 53a-70a,

2742 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a against any person who is being  
2743 educated by the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
2744 and Career System or a local or regional board of education, other than  
2745 as part of an adult education program.

2746 Sec. 98. Section 17b-610 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2747 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2748 The Department of Social Services, as lead agency for persons with  
2749 mental and physical disabilities pursuant to section 17b-606, shall, in  
2750 conjunction with the Labor Department, provide ongoing assessment  
2751 of the needs of the business community and the ways persons with  
2752 disabilities could fill such needs and shall assess skills needed by  
2753 businesses, necessary training, available jobs, specific work sites and  
2754 the programs offered by [technical high schools] the Technical  
2755 Education and Career System and comprehensive high schools. The  
2756 Department of Social Services shall report its progress on or before  
2757 January 15, 1990, and annually thereafter, to the committee of the  
2758 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human  
2759 services.

2760 Sec. 99. Subsection (b) of section 17b-688i of the general statutes is  
2761 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2762 *1, 2017*):

2763 (b) The Labor Department shall be responsible for the  
2764 administration of employment services to recipients of temporary  
2765 family assistance under the employment services program,  
2766 administered by the Department of Social Services pursuant to section  
2767 17b-688c. The employment services provided by the Labor Department  
2768 shall include appropriate basic education and occupational skills  
2769 training combined with subsidized or unsubsidized work experience  
2770 and employment, as deemed appropriate by the Labor Department,  
2771 and any other programs or services deemed appropriate by the Labor  
2772 Department, to the extent permitted under state and federal law,  
2773 including, but not limited to, the following: (1) Employment; (2) work-

2774 study, internship or apprenticeship opportunities; (3) adult skills  
2775 training, including literacy, mathematics and language proficiency  
2776 with curriculum related to job opportunities and job search skills; (4)  
2777 occupational skills training; (5) case management and counseling in  
2778 successful work skills; (6) enrollment at a public or independent  
2779 institution of higher education; and (7) access to state-subsidized child  
2780 care and transportation, where needed. Services may be provided by  
2781 existing service providers, including, but not limited to, local or  
2782 regional boards of education or regional educational service centers  
2783 that offer adult education programs, community-technical colleges,  
2784 [technical high schools] the Technical Education and Career System  
2785 and public and independent institutions of higher education.

2786 Sec. 100. Subsection (a) of section 20-90 of the general statutes is  
2787 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2788 *1, 2017*):

2789 (a) Said board may adopt a seal. The Commissioner of Public  
2790 Health, with advice and assistance from the board, and in consultation  
2791 with the State Board of Education, shall adopt regulations, in  
2792 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, permitting and setting  
2793 standards for courses for the training of practical nurses to be offered  
2794 in high schools [and technical high schools] or by the Technical  
2795 Education and Career System for students who have not yet acquired a  
2796 high school diploma. Students who satisfactorily complete courses  
2797 approved by said Board of Examiners for Nursing, with the consent of  
2798 the Commissioner of Public Health, as meeting such standards shall be  
2799 given credit for each such course toward the requirements for a  
2800 practical nurse's license. All schools of nursing in this state, except  
2801 such schools accredited by the National League for Nursing or other  
2802 professional accrediting association approved by the United States  
2803 Department of Education and recognized by the Commissioner of  
2804 Public Health, and all schools for training licensed practical nurses and  
2805 all hospitals connected to such schools that prepare persons for  
2806 examination under the provisions of this chapter, shall be visited  
2807 periodically by a representative of the Department of Public Health

2808 who shall be a registered nurse or a person experienced in the field of  
2809 nursing education. The board shall keep a list of all nursing programs  
2810 and all programs for training licensed practical nurses that are  
2811 approved by it, with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health,  
2812 as maintaining the standard for the education of nurses and the  
2813 training of licensed practical nurses as established by the  
2814 commissioner. The board shall consult, where possible, with nationally  
2815 recognized accrediting agencies when approving schools.

2816 Sec. 101. Section 31-3c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2817 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2818 The Labor Commissioner, with the approval of the Commissioners  
2819 of Economic and Community Development and Education, shall  
2820 establish a customized job training program for preemployment and  
2821 postemployment job training for the purpose of meeting the labor  
2822 requirements of manufacturing or economic base businesses, as  
2823 defined in subsection (l) of section 32-222, and shall implement such  
2824 job training program. Such job training program shall include training  
2825 designed to increase the basic skills of employees, including, but not  
2826 limited to, training in written and oral communication, mathematics or  
2827 science, or training in technical and technological skills. The Labor  
2828 Commissioner shall use funds appropriated to the Labor Department  
2829 for vocational and manpower training in carrying out such job training  
2830 program, except that not more than four per cent of such funds may be  
2831 used to pay the cost of its administration. Upon receipt of a request for  
2832 job training pursuant to this section, the Labor Commissioner shall  
2833 notify the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities,  
2834 or his or her designee, of such request. The president, or his or her  
2835 designee, shall determine if a training program exists or can be  
2836 designed at a regional community-technical college to meet such  
2837 training need and shall notify the Labor Commissioner of such  
2838 determination. The Labor Commissioner shall, to the extent possible,  
2839 make arrangements for the participation of the regional  
2840 community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University  
2841 System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary

2842 institutions, adult education programs, opportunities industrialization  
2843 centers and [state technical high schools] the Technical Education and  
2844 Career System in implementing the program. Nothing in this section  
2845 shall preclude the Labor Commissioner from considering or choosing  
2846 other providers to meet such training need. Nothing in this section  
2847 shall preclude an employer from considering or choosing other  
2848 providers to meet the training needs of such employer, provided the  
2849 Labor Commissioner approves such employer's use of such other  
2850 providers. For the period from July 1, 1996, to June 30, 1999, the Labor  
2851 Commissioner, or his or her designee, the chancellor of the  
2852 community-technical colleges and the chairpersons of the joint  
2853 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
2854 matters relating to education shall meet semiannually to review  
2855 actions taken pursuant to this section and section 32-6j, as amended by  
2856 this act.

2857 Sec. 102. Subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 31-3h of the  
2858 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2859 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2860 (8) Developing a strategy for providing comprehensive services to  
2861 eligible youths, which strategy shall include developing youth  
2862 preapprentice and apprentice programs through, but not limited to,  
2863 technical [high] education and career schools, and improving linkages  
2864 between academic and occupational learning and other youth  
2865 development activities; and

2866 Sec. 103. Subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section 31-3k of the  
2867 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2868 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2869 (5) Establish a worker training education committee comprised of  
2870 persons from the education and business communities within the  
2871 region, including, but not limited to, regional community-technical  
2872 colleges and technical [high] education and career schools.

2873 Sec. 104. Subdivision (12) of subsection (b) of section 31-11p of the



2874 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2875 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2876 (12) Identification of core services available under the one-stop  
2877 delivery system, which shall, at a minimum, include: (A)  
2878 Determination of whether individuals are eligible to receive assistance  
2879 under Subtitle B of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity  
2880 Act of 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to time amended; (B) outreach,  
2881 intake and orientation to the information and other services available  
2882 through the one-stop delivery system; (C) a uniform assessment  
2883 procedure for screening adults and dislocated workers which shall  
2884 include, but not be limited to, initial assessment of skill levels,  
2885 aptitudes, abilities, supportive service needs and for application of the  
2886 self-sufficiency measurement developed in accordance with the  
2887 provisions of section 4-66e; (D) job search and placement assistance  
2888 and, where appropriate, career counseling; (E) provision of (i)  
2889 employment statistics information, including the provision of accurate  
2890 information concerning local, regional and national labor market areas,  
2891 including job vacancy listings in such labor market areas, information  
2892 on job skills necessary to obtain such vacant jobs and information  
2893 relating to local occupations in demand and the earnings and skill  
2894 requirements for such occupations; (ii) provider performance  
2895 information and program cost information on eligible providers of  
2896 training services, as described in Section 122 of the federal Workforce  
2897 Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to  
2898 time amended, provided by program, and eligible providers of youth  
2899 activities described in Section 123 of said act, eligible providers of  
2900 adult education described in Title II of said act, providers of  
2901 postsecondary vocational education activities and vocational  
2902 education activities, which shall include, but not be limited to,  
2903 preapprentice programs available through, but not limited to,  
2904 [technical high schools] the Technical Education and Career System,  
2905 available to school dropouts under the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and  
2906 Applied Technology Education Act, 20 USC 2301, et seq., and  
2907 providers of vocational rehabilitation program activities described in

2908 Title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC 720, et seq.; (iii)  
2909 information regarding how the local area is performing on the local  
2910 performance measures and any additional performance information  
2911 with respect to the one-stop delivery system in the local area; (iv)  
2912 accurate information concerning the availability of supportive services,  
2913 including child care and transportation, available through the local  
2914 area and referral to such services, as appropriate; (v) information  
2915 regarding filing claims for unemployment compensation under  
2916 chapter 567; (F) assistance in establishing eligibility for programs of  
2917 financial aid assistance for training and education programs that are  
2918 not funded under said act and are available through the local area; (G)  
2919 follow-up services, including counseling regarding the workplace, for  
2920 participants in workforce investment activities authorized under  
2921 Subtitle B of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of  
2922 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to time amended, who are placed in  
2923 unsubsidized employment, for not less than twelve months after the  
2924 first day of the employment, as appropriate; and (H) assistance in  
2925 establishing eligibility for authorized activities under Section 403(a)(5)  
2926 of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 5001 of the Balanced  
2927 Budget Act of 1997, available in the local area. For purposes of this  
2928 subdivision, "local area" refers to an area designated as such pursuant  
2929 to Section 116 of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity  
2930 Act of 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to time amended;

2931 Sec. 105. Subsection (c) of section 31-23 of the general statutes is  
2932 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2933 *1, 2017*):

2934 (c) No minor under the age of eighteen years shall be employed or  
2935 permitted to work in any occupation which has been or shall be  
2936 pronounced hazardous to health by the Department of Public Health  
2937 or pronounced hazardous in other respects by the Labor Department.  
2938 This section shall not apply to (1) the employment or enrollment of  
2939 minors sixteen years of age and over as apprentices in bona fide  
2940 apprenticeship courses in manufacturing or mechanical  
2941 establishments, technical [high] education and career schools or public

2942 schools, (2) the employment of such minors who have graduated from  
2943 a public or private secondary or technical [high] education and career  
2944 school in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment, (3) the  
2945 employment of such minors who are participating in a manufacturing  
2946 or mechanical internship in any manufacturing or mechanical  
2947 establishment, or (4) the enrollment of such minors in a cooperative  
2948 work-study program approved by the Commissioner of Education and  
2949 the Labor Commissioner or in a program established pursuant to  
2950 section 10-20a, as amended by this act. No provision of this section  
2951 shall apply to agricultural employment, domestic service, street trades  
2952 or the distribution of newspapers. For purposes of this subsection, (A)  
2953 "internship" means supervised practical training of a high school  
2954 student or recent high school graduate that is comprised of curriculum  
2955 and workplace standards approved by the Department of Education  
2956 and the Labor Department, and (B) "cooperative work-study program"  
2957 means a program of vocational education, approved by the  
2958 Commissioner of Education and the Labor Commissioner, for persons  
2959 who, through a cooperative arrangement between the school and  
2960 employers, receive instruction, including required academic courses  
2961 and related vocational instruction by alternation of study in school  
2962 with a job in any occupational field, provided these two experiences  
2963 are planned and supervised by the school and employers so that each  
2964 contributes to the student's education and to his employability. Work  
2965 periods and school attendance may be on alternate half days, full days,  
2966 weeks or other periods of time in fulfilling the cooperative work-study  
2967 program.

2968 Sec. 106. Section 31-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2969 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2970 Except in [state] technical [high] education and career schools or in  
2971 public schools teaching manual training, no child under sixteen years  
2972 of age shall be employed or permitted to work in adjusting or assisting  
2973 in adjusting any belt upon any machine, or in oiling or assisting in  
2974 oiling, wiping or cleaning machinery, while power is attached, or in  
2975 preparing any composition in which dangerous acids are used, or in

2976 soldering, or in the manufacture or packing of paints, dry colors or red  
2977 or white lead, or in the manufacture, packing or storing of gun or  
2978 blasting powder, dynamite, nitroglycerine compounds, safety fuses in  
2979 the raw or unvarnished state, electric fuses for blasting purposes or  
2980 any other explosive, or in the manufacture or use of any dangerous or  
2981 poisonous gas or dye, or composition of lye in which the quantity  
2982 thereof is injurious to health, or upon any scaffolding, or in any heavy  
2983 work in any building trade or in any tunnel, mine or quarry, or in  
2984 operating or assisting to operate any emery, stone or buffing wheel;  
2985 and, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of section 31-23, no  
2986 child under sixteen years of age shall be employed or permitted to  
2987 work in any capacity requiring such child to stand continuously.

2988 Sec. 107. Subdivision (8) of section 31-51ww of the general statutes is  
2989 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2990 *1, 2017*):

2991 (8) "Education" means (A) a postsecondary program of instruction  
2992 provided by a college, university, community college, [area technical  
2993 high school] the Technical Education and Career System, professional  
2994 institution or specialized college or school legally authorized to grant  
2995 degrees, or (B) any related educational program approved by the  
2996 community-based organization and the department;

2997 Sec. 108. Section 32-4i of the general statutes are repealed and the  
2998 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2999 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,  
3000 in consultation with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and the  
3001 president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, may  
3002 establish the Learn Here, Live Here program. Such program may  
3003 provide an incentive for graduates of a public institution of higher  
3004 education, private university or college, or health care training school  
3005 in this state, or graduates from a technical [high] education and career  
3006 school, to buy a first home in the state. Persons who graduate on or  
3007 after January 1, 2014, from such institutions, universities, colleges or

3008 schools may have their income tax liability, up to a maximum of two  
3009 thousand five hundred dollars annually, segregated into the  
3010 Connecticut first-time homebuyers account established pursuant to  
3011 section 32-4j, provided not more than one million dollars from all  
3012 program participants may be so segregated in any calendar year. After  
3013 a period not exceeding ten years after graduation, any amounts so  
3014 segregated may be withdrawn by a participant for the purchase of a  
3015 first home in the state. The Commissioner of Economic and  
3016 Community Development may make payments in accordance with  
3017 this section from said fund to the participants. For the purposes of this  
3018 section, "health care training school" means a medical or dental school,  
3019 chiropractic college, school or college of optometry, school or college of  
3020 chiropody or podiatry, school of occupational therapy, hospital-based  
3021 occupational school, school or college of naturopathy, school of dental  
3022 hygiene, school of physical therapy or any other school or institution  
3023 giving instruction in the healing arts.

3024 (b) (1) After a period not exceeding ten years after the date of  
3025 graduation, a participant in the program established pursuant to  
3026 subsection (a) of this section may apply to the Commissioner of  
3027 Economic and Community Development for a payment to be issued,  
3028 on behalf of such participant, and used as the down payment on a  
3029 house, which must be the first house such participant has bought,  
3030 either singly or jointly. Such payment may be in an amount equal to  
3031 the amount of segregated funds deposited on behalf of such  
3032 participant. If the payment is less than such amount, any excess  
3033 amount shall be deposited in the General Fund.

3034 (2) If a participant ceases to live in the state at any time up to one  
3035 year after such date, such participant shall repay one hundred per cent  
3036 of the amount paid out. If a participant ceases to live in the state at any  
3037 time up to two years after such date, such participant shall repay  
3038 eighty per cent of the amount paid out. If a participant ceases to live in  
3039 the state at any time up to three years after such date, such participant  
3040 shall repay sixty per cent of the amount paid out. If a participant ceases  
3041 to live in the state at any time up to four years after such date, such

3042 participant shall repay forty per cent of the amount paid out. If a  
3043 participant ceases to live in the state at any time up to five years after  
3044 such date, such participant shall repay twenty per cent of the amount  
3045 paid out. After five years, there is no repayment obligation. Any  
3046 amounts repaid under this subdivision shall be deposited in the  
3047 General Fund.

3048 (c) On or before December 1, 2012, the Commissioner of Economic  
3049 and Community Development may develop, within available  
3050 appropriations, a comprehensive public education program to educate  
3051 recent graduates of a public institution of higher education, private  
3052 university or college, or health care training school in the state, or of a  
3053 technical [high] education and career school, about the program  
3054 established under this section for first-time home buyers. The public  
3055 education program shall include, but not be limited to, information  
3056 concerning life-time savings plans and information on the purchase of  
3057 a home. If the commissioner develops such public education program,  
3058 the department shall begin to implement such program not later than  
3059 January 1, 2014.

3060 Sec. 109. Section 32-6j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3061 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3062 In the assessment and provision of job training for employers, the  
3063 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the  
3064 chief executive officer of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated shall  
3065 request the assistance of the Labor Commissioner. Upon receipt of a  
3066 request for job training pursuant to this section, the Labor  
3067 Commissioner shall notify the president of the Connecticut State  
3068 Colleges and Universities, or his or her designee, of such request. The  
3069 president, or his or her designee, shall determine if a training program  
3070 exists or can be designed at a regional community-technical college to  
3071 meet such training need and shall notify the Labor Commissioner of  
3072 such determination. The Labor Commissioner shall to the extent  
3073 possible make arrangements for the participation of the regional  
3074 community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University

3075 System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary  
3076 institutions, adult education programs and [state technical high  
3077 schools] the Technical Education and Career System in implementing  
3078 the program. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Labor  
3079 Commissioner from considering or choosing other providers to meet  
3080 such training need.

3081 Sec. 110. Subdivision (12) of section 32-475 of the general statutes is  
3082 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3083 *1, 2017*):

3084 (12) Participate in a Connecticut career certificate program  
3085 established by a local or regional board of education, [technical high  
3086 school] the Technical Education and Career System or regional  
3087 education service center and approved by the Commissioner of  
3088 Education and the Labor Commissioner.

3089 Sec. 111. Section 38a-682 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3090 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3091 If any insurance company licensed to do business in this state  
3092 allows a rate credit or deviation in motor vehicle insurance premium  
3093 charges for persons successfully completing a full course of study of  
3094 motor vehicle operation in a public secondary school, a [state]  
3095 technical [high] education and career school or a private secondary  
3096 school, as approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in  
3097 accordance with the provisions of section 14-36e, or training of a  
3098 similar nature provided by a licensed drivers' school approved by said  
3099 commissioner, including, in each case, successful completion of the  
3100 required number of hours of classroom instruction and behind-the-  
3101 wheel, on-the-road instruction, then such insurance company shall  
3102 give equal credit or deviation to all such persons.

3103 Sec. 112. Subdivision (3) of subsection (h) of section 46b-15 of the  
3104 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3105 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3106 (3) Upon the granting of an ex parte order, the clerk of the court  
3107 shall provide two copies of the order to the applicant. Upon the  
3108 granting of an order after notice and hearing, the clerk of the court  
3109 shall provide two copies of the order to the applicant and a copy to the  
3110 respondent. Every order of the court made in accordance with this  
3111 section after notice and hearing shall be accompanied by a notification  
3112 that is consistent with the full faith and credit provisions set forth in 18  
3113 USC 2265(a), as amended from time to time. Immediately after making  
3114 service on the respondent, the proper officer shall (A) send or cause to  
3115 be sent, by facsimile or other means, a copy of the application, or the  
3116 information contained in such application, stating the date and time  
3117 the respondent was served, to the law enforcement agency or agencies  
3118 for the town in which the applicant resides, the town in which the  
3119 applicant is employed and the town in which the respondent resides,  
3120 and (B) as soon as possible, but not later than two hours after the time  
3121 that service is executed, input into the Judicial Branch's Internet-based  
3122 service tracking system the date, time and method of service. If, prior  
3123 to the date of the scheduled hearing, service has not been executed, the  
3124 proper officer shall input into such service tracking system that service  
3125 was unsuccessful. The clerk of the court shall send, by facsimile or  
3126 other means, a copy of any ex parte order and of any order after notice  
3127 and hearing, or the information contained in any such order, to the law  
3128 enforcement agency or agencies for the town in which the applicant  
3129 resides, the town in which the applicant is employed and the town in  
3130 which the respondent resides, within forty-eight hours of the issuance  
3131 of such order. If the victim is enrolled in a public or private elementary  
3132 or secondary school, including a technical [high] education and career  
3133 school, or an institution of higher education, as defined in section 10a-  
3134 55, the clerk of the court shall, upon the request of the victim, send, by  
3135 facsimile or other means, a copy of such ex parte order or of any order  
3136 after notice and hearing, or the information contained in any such  
3137 order, to such school or institution of higher education, the president  
3138 of any institution of higher education at which the victim is enrolled  
3139 and the special police force established pursuant to section 10a-156b, if  
3140 any, at the institution of higher education at which the victim is



3141 enrolled.

3142 Sec. 113. Subsection (d) of section 46b-16a of the general statutes is  
3143 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3144 *1, 2017*):

3145 (d) The applicant shall cause notice of the hearing pursuant to  
3146 subsection (b) of this section and a copy of the application and the  
3147 applicant's affidavit and of any ex parte order issued pursuant to  
3148 subsection (b) of this section to be served by a proper officer on the  
3149 respondent not less than five days before the hearing. The cost of such  
3150 service shall be paid for by the Judicial Branch. Upon the granting of  
3151 an ex parte order, the clerk of the court shall provide two copies of the  
3152 order to the applicant. Upon the granting of an order after notice and  
3153 hearing, the clerk of the court shall provide two copies of the order to  
3154 the applicant and a copy to the respondent. Every order of the court  
3155 made in accordance with this section after notice and hearing shall be  
3156 accompanied by a notification that is consistent with the full faith and  
3157 credit provisions set forth in 18 USC 2265(a), as amended from time to  
3158 time. Immediately after making service on the respondent, the proper  
3159 officer shall (1) send or cause to be sent, by facsimile or other means, a  
3160 copy of the application, or the information contained in such  
3161 application, stating the date and time the respondent was served, to  
3162 the law enforcement agency or agencies for the town in which the  
3163 applicant resides, the town in which the applicant is employed and the  
3164 town in which the respondent resides, and (2) as soon as possible, but  
3165 not later than two hours after the time that service is executed, input  
3166 into the Judicial Branch's Internet-based service tracking system the  
3167 date, time and method of service. If, prior to the date of the scheduled  
3168 hearing, service has not been executed, the proper officer shall input  
3169 into such service tracking system that service was unsuccessful. The  
3170 clerk of the court shall send, by facsimile or other means, a copy of any  
3171 ex parte order and of any order after notice and hearing, or the  
3172 information contained in any such order, to the law enforcement  
3173 agency or agencies for the town in which the applicant resides, the  
3174 town in which the applicant is employed and the town in which the

3175 respondent resides, not later than forty-eight hours after the issuance  
3176 of such order, and immediately to the Commissioner of Emergency  
3177 Services and Public Protection. If the applicant is enrolled in a public  
3178 or private elementary or secondary school, including a technical [high]  
3179 education and career school, or an institution of higher education, as  
3180 defined in section 10a-55, the clerk of the court shall, upon the request  
3181 of the applicant, send, by facsimile or other means, a copy of such ex  
3182 parte order or of any order after notice and hearing, or the information  
3183 contained in any such order, to such school or institution of higher  
3184 education, the president of any institution of higher education at  
3185 which the applicant is enrolled and the special police force established  
3186 pursuant to section 10a-142, if any, at the institution of higher  
3187 education at which the applicant is enrolled.

3188 Sec. 114. Subsection (d) of section 46b-38c of the general statutes is  
3189 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3190 *1, 2017*):

3191 (d) In all cases of family violence, a written or oral report that  
3192 indicates whether the parties in the family violence case are parties to a  
3193 case pending on the family relations docket of the Superior Court and  
3194 includes recommendation of the local family violence intervention unit  
3195 shall be available to a judge at the first court date appearance to be  
3196 presented at any time during the court session on that date. A judge of  
3197 the Superior Court may consider and impose the following conditions  
3198 to protect the parties, including, but not limited to: (1) Issuance of a  
3199 protective order pursuant to subsection (e) of this section; (2)  
3200 prohibition against subjecting the victim to further violence; (3) referral  
3201 to a family violence education program for persons who commit acts  
3202 of family violence; and (4) immediate referral for more extensive case  
3203 assessment. Such protective order shall be an order of the court, and  
3204 the clerk of the court shall cause (A) a copy of such order to be sent to  
3205 the victim, and (B) a copy of such order, or the information contained  
3206 in such order, to be sent by facsimile or other means within forty-eight  
3207 hours of its issuance to the law enforcement agency for the town in  
3208 which the victim resides and, if the defendant resides in a town

3209 different from the town in which the victim resides, to the law  
3210 enforcement agency for the town in which the defendant resides. If the  
3211 victim is employed in a town different from the town in which the  
3212 victim resides, the clerk of the court shall, upon the request of the  
3213 victim, send, by facsimile or other means, a copy of such order, or the  
3214 information contained in such order, to the law enforcement agency  
3215 for the town in which the victim is employed not later than forty-eight  
3216 hours after the issuance of such order. If the victim is enrolled in a  
3217 public or private elementary or secondary school, including a technical  
3218 [high] education and career school, or an institution of higher  
3219 education, as defined in section 10a-55, the clerk of the court shall,  
3220 upon the request of the victim, send, by facsimile or other means, a  
3221 copy of such order, or the information contained in such order, to such  
3222 school or institution of higher education, the president of any  
3223 institution of higher education at which the victim is enrolled and the  
3224 special police force established pursuant to section 10a-156b, if any, at  
3225 the institution of higher education at which the victim is enrolled.

3226 Sec. 115. Subdivision (4) of subsection (j) of section 46b-129 of the  
3227 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3228 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3229 (4) The commissioner shall be the guardian of such child or youth  
3230 for the duration of the commitment, provided the child or youth has  
3231 not reached the age of eighteen years, or until another guardian has  
3232 been legally appointed, and in like manner, upon such vesting of the  
3233 care of such child or youth, such other public or private agency or  
3234 individual shall be the guardian of such child or youth until such child  
3235 or youth has reached the age of eighteen years or, in the case of a child  
3236 or youth in full-time attendance in a secondary school, a technical  
3237 [high] education and career school, a college or a state-accredited job  
3238 training program, until such child or youth has reached the age of  
3239 twenty-one years or until another guardian has been legally appointed.  
3240 The commissioner may place any child or youth so committed to the  
3241 commissioner in a suitable foster home or in the home of a fictive kin  
3242 caregiver, relative caregiver, or in a licensed child-caring institution or

3243 in the care and custody of any accredited, licensed or approved child-  
3244 caring agency, within or without the state, provided a child shall not  
3245 be placed outside the state except for good cause and unless the  
3246 parents or guardian of such child are notified in advance of such  
3247 placement and given an opportunity to be heard, or in a receiving  
3248 home maintained and operated by the Commissioner of Children and  
3249 Families. In placing such child or youth, the commissioner shall, if  
3250 possible, select a home, agency, institution or person of like religious  
3251 faith to that of a parent of such child or youth, if such faith is known or  
3252 may be ascertained by reasonable inquiry, provided such home  
3253 conforms to the standards of said commissioner and the commissioner  
3254 shall, when placing siblings, if possible, place such children together.  
3255 Upon the issuance of an order committing the child or youth to the  
3256 Commissioner of Children and Families, or not later than sixty days  
3257 after the issuance of such order, the court shall determine whether the  
3258 Department of Children and Families made reasonable efforts to keep  
3259 the child or youth with his or her parents or guardian prior to the  
3260 issuance of such order and, if such efforts were not made, whether  
3261 such reasonable efforts were not possible, taking into consideration the  
3262 child's or youth's best interests, including the child's or youth's health  
3263 and safety.

3264 Sec. 116. Section 48-9 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3265 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3266 Subject to the provisions of section 4b-23, the state may take land, or  
3267 any interest or estate therein, for the site, or for any addition to the site,  
3268 of any state institution or courthouse, or for any addition to the site of  
3269 any institution under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of the  
3270 Connecticut State University System, [technical high school] Technical  
3271 Education and Career System or technical college or for the purposes  
3272 of subsection (e) of section 22a-133m, and also may take water from  
3273 any river, brook, spring or springs, pond or lake for the purpose of  
3274 providing such supply of water as the convenience and necessity of  
3275 such institution may require. The amount of damages for any such  
3276 taking shall be determined in the manner provided by section 48-10.

3277 Sec. 117. Subsection (a) of section 54-1k of the general statutes is  
3278 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3279 *1, 2017*):

3280 (a) Upon the arrest of a person for a violation of subdivision (1) or  
3281 (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70c,  
3282 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, or any attempt thereof, or section  
3283 53a-181c, 53a-181d or 53a-181e, the court may issue a protective order  
3284 pursuant to this section. Upon the arrest of a person for a violation of  
3285 section 53a-182b or 53a-183, the court may issue a protective order  
3286 pursuant to this section if it finds that such violation caused the victim  
3287 to reasonably fear for his or her physical safety. Such order shall be an  
3288 order of the court, and the clerk of the court shall cause (1) a copy of  
3289 such order, or the information contained in such order, to be sent to  
3290 the victim, and (2) a copy of such order, or the information contained  
3291 in such order, to be sent by facsimile or other means not later than  
3292 forty-eight hours after its issuance to the law enforcement agency or  
3293 agencies for the town in which the victim resides, the town in which  
3294 the victim is employed and the town in which the defendant resides. If  
3295 the victim is enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary  
3296 school, including a technical [high] education and career school, or an  
3297 institution of higher education, as defined in section 10a-55, the clerk  
3298 of the court shall, upon the request of the victim, send, by facsimile or  
3299 other means, a copy of such order, or the information contained in  
3300 such order, to such school or institution of higher education, the  
3301 president of any institution of higher education at which the victim is  
3302 enrolled and the special police force established pursuant to section  
3303 10a-156b, if any, at the institution of higher education at which the  
3304 victim is enrolled.

3305 Sec. 118. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The State Board of Education,  
3306 upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue an initial educator  
3307 certificate, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-145b of the  
3308 general statutes, to any applicant in the certification endorsement area  
3309 of occupational subjects in vocational-technical schools who has  
3310 completed six years of work experience in the field for which the

3311 certificate is to be endorsed, which may include apprenticeship  
 3312 experience, provided such applicant otherwise meets the requirements  
 3313 established in chapter 166 of the general statutes and any regulations  
 3314 adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to said chapter.

3315 Sec. 119. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The Department of Education  
 3316 shall provide information and guidance to applicants for an initial  
 3317 educator certificate in the certification endorsement area of  
 3318 occupational subjects in vocational-technical schools on how such  
 3319 applicant is to present evidence of meeting the requirements of section  
 3320 10-145b of the general statutes and section 10-145d-511 of the  
 3321 regulations of Connecticut state agencies when such applicant has  
 3322 completed an online program of study. The department shall make  
 3323 such information and guidance available on the department's Internet  
 3324 web site.

3325 Sec. 120. Section 10-95f of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*  
 3326 *July 1, 2017*)"

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                     |              |
| Section 1   | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | 10-95        |
| Sec. 2  | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | 10-95        |
| Sec. 3  | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 4  | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 5  | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 6  | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | 4-5          |
| Sec. 7  | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | 4-38c        |
| Sec. 8  | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | 10-99f       |
| Sec. 9  | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | 10-99f       |
| Sec. 10   | <i>July 1, 2019</i> | 10-99g       |
| Sec. 11   | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | 10-95h(b)(2) |
| Sec. 12   | <i>from passage</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 13   | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 14   | <i>from passage</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 15   | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 16   | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | New section  |
| Sec. 17   | <i>July 1, 2017</i> | New section  |

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| Sec. 18 | July 1, 2017 | New section       |
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